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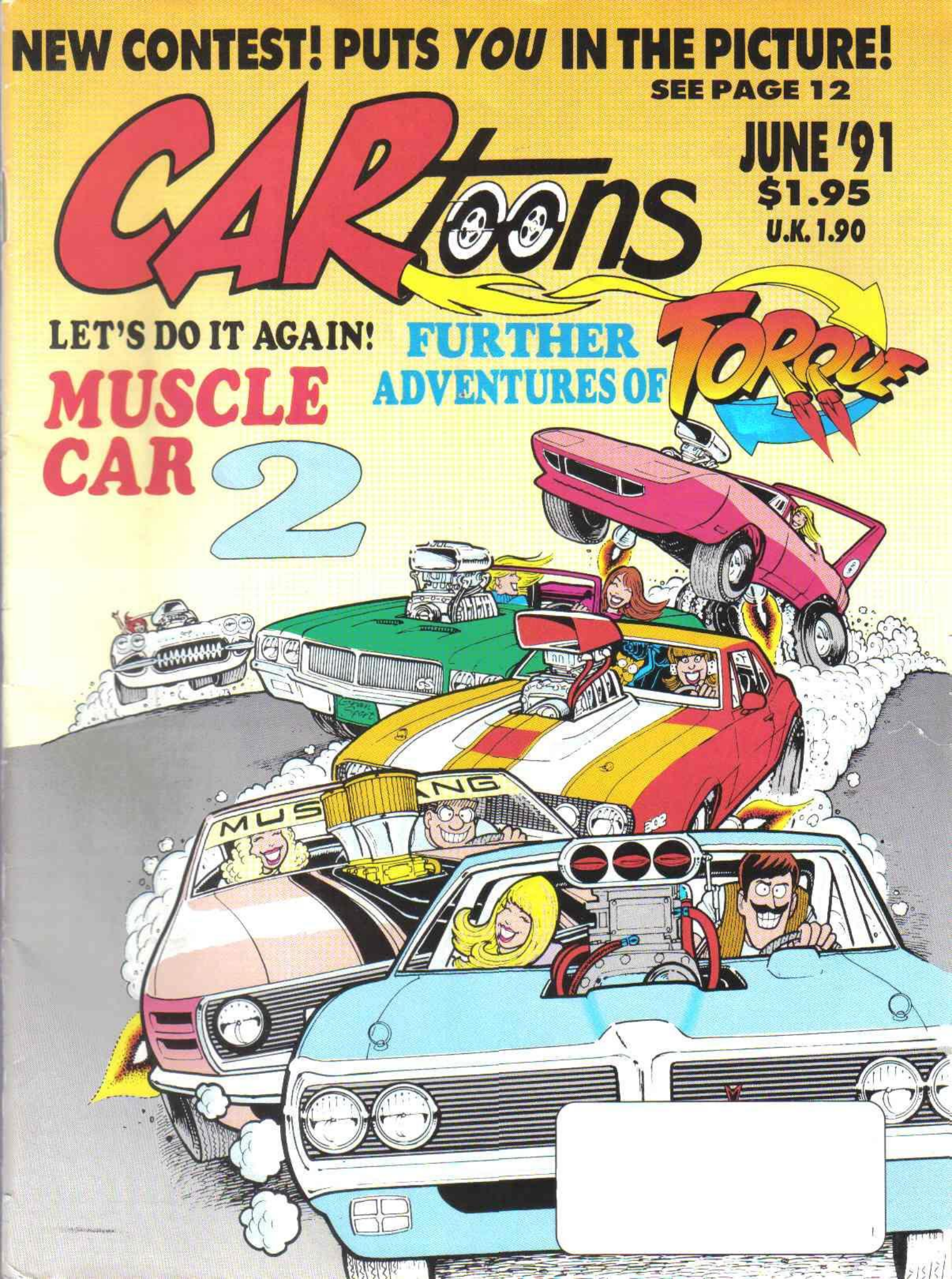

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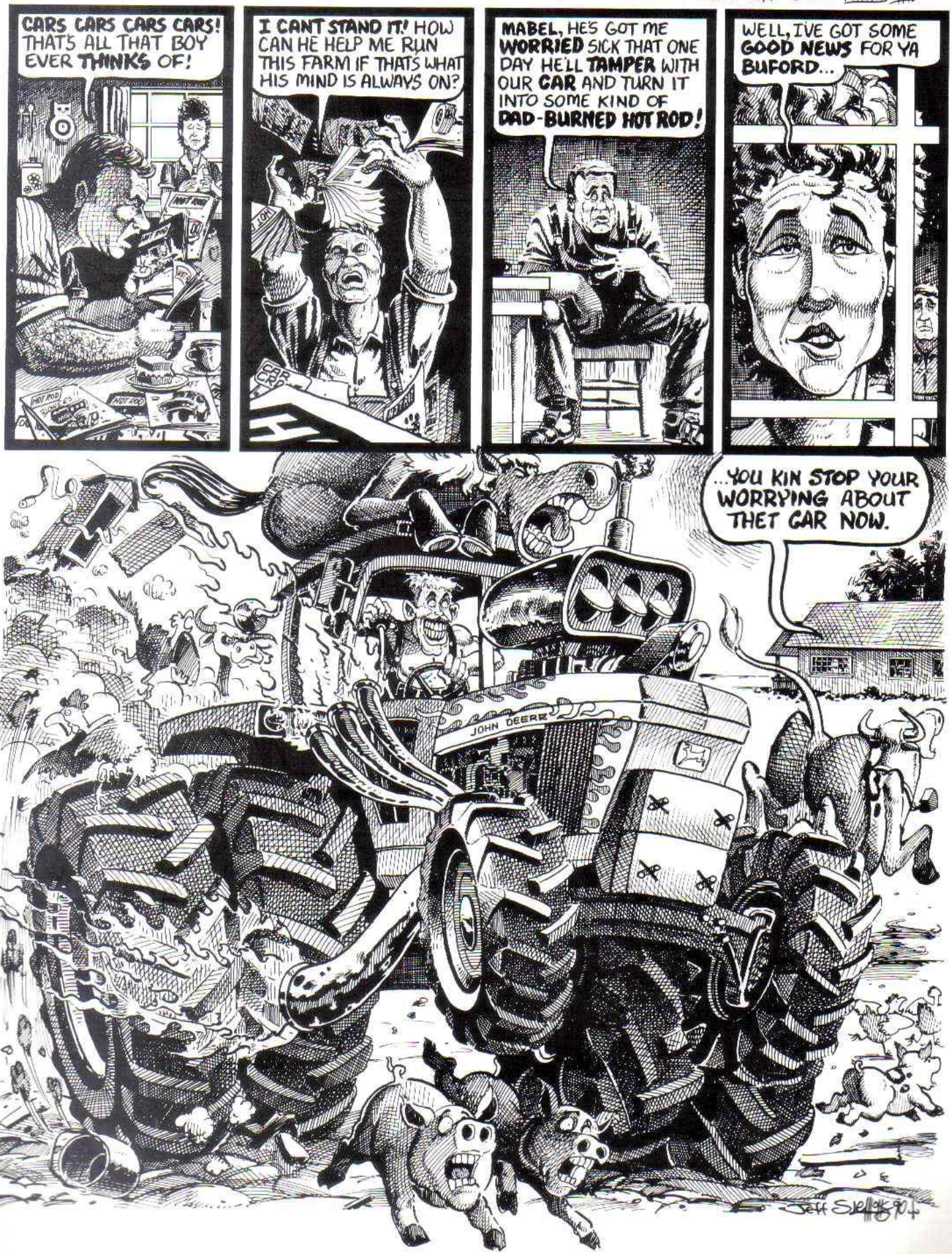

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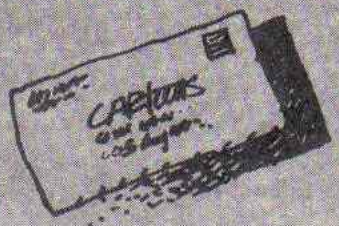

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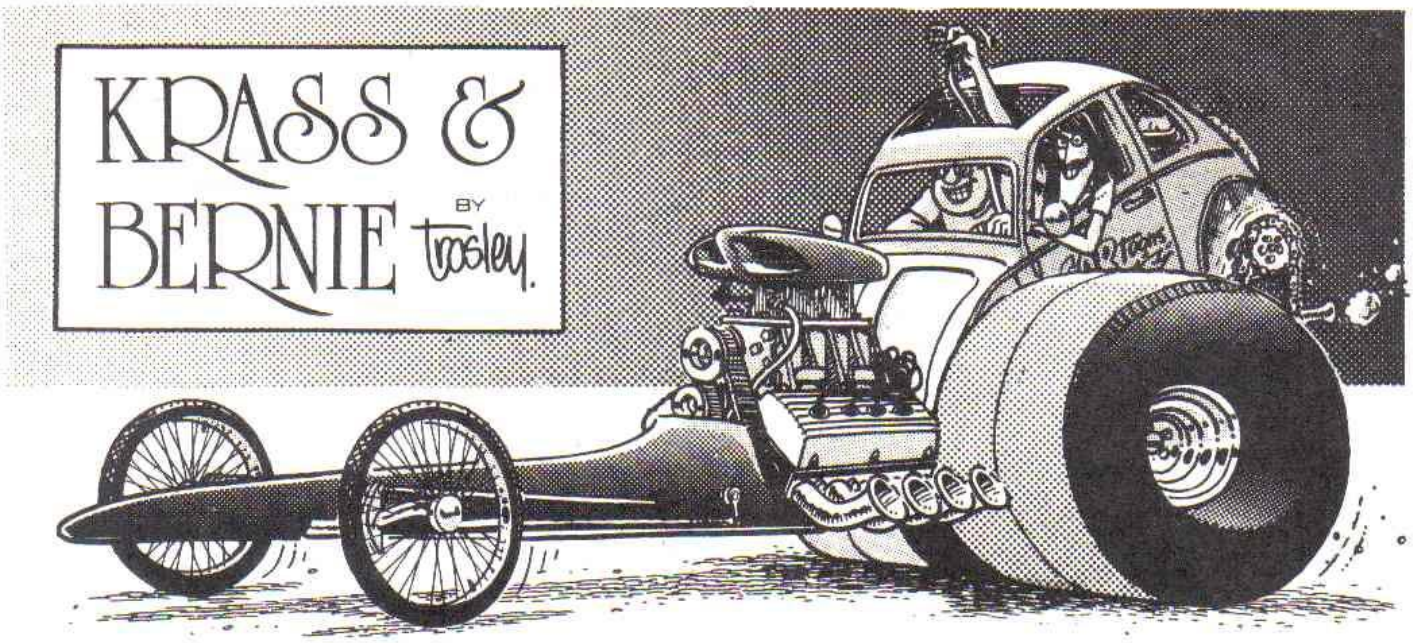

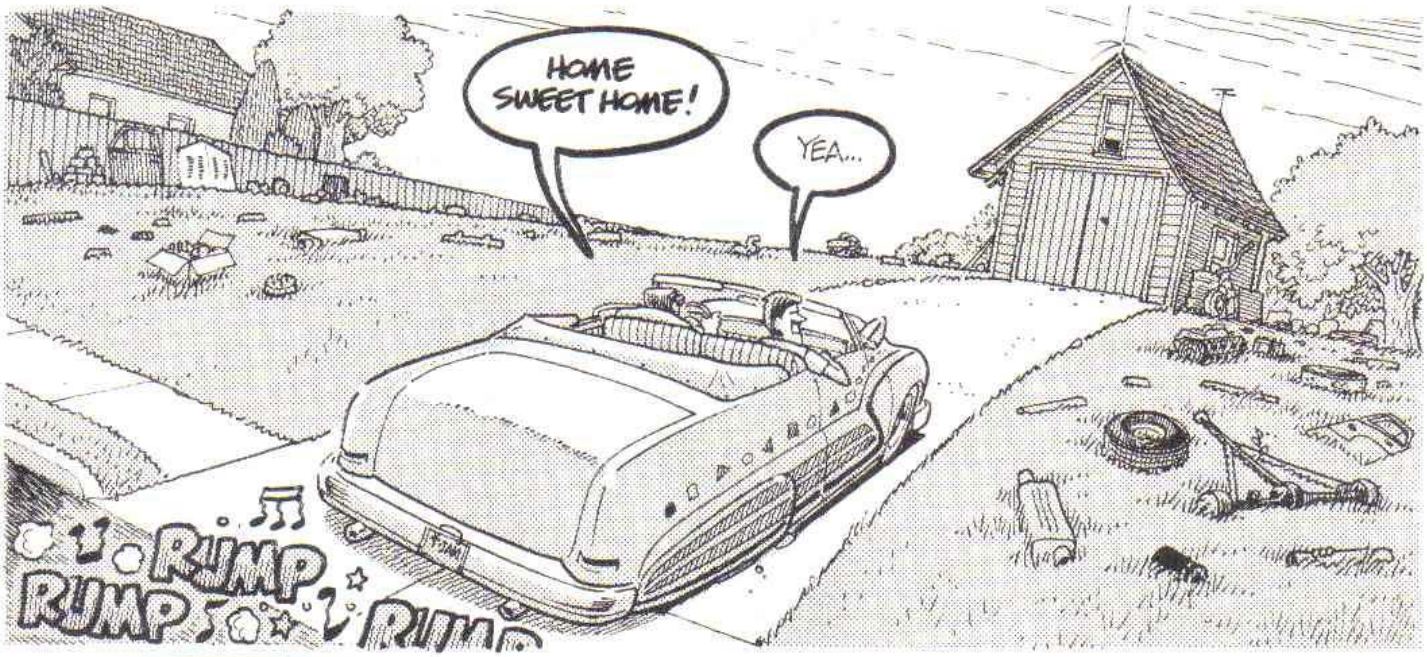

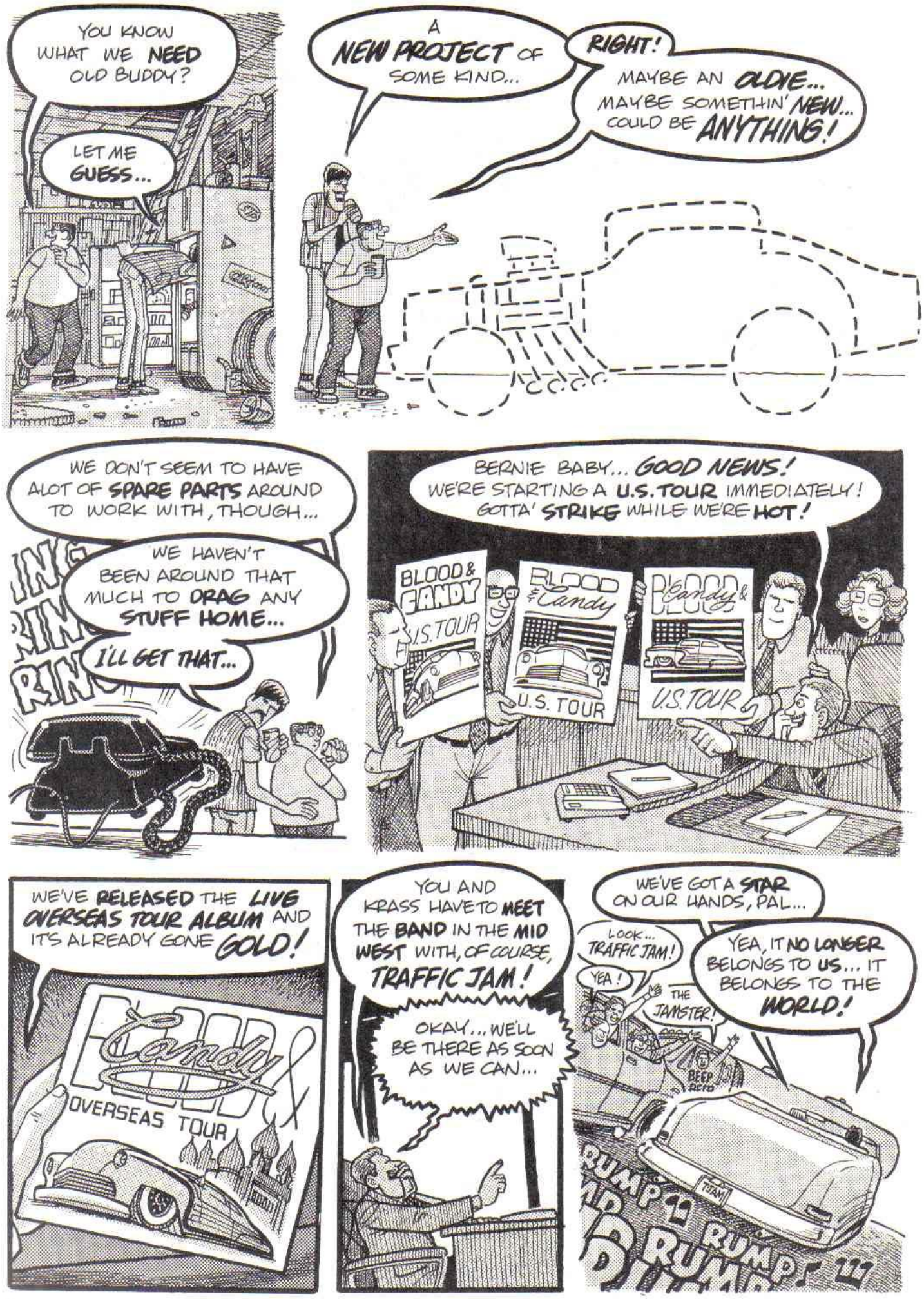
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LET ME GUESS...
A NEW PROJECT OF SOME KIND...
RIGHT! MAYBE AN OLDIE... MAYBE SOMETHIN' NEW... COULD BE ANYTHING!
WE DON'T SEEM TO HAVE ALOT OF SPARE PARTS AROUND TO WORK WITH, THOUGH...
WE HAVEN'T BEEN AROUND THAT MUCH TO DRAG ANY STUFF HOME...
I'LL GET THAT...
BERNIE BABY... GOOD NEWS! WE'RE STARTING A U.S. TOUR IMMEDIATELY! GOTTA' STRIKE WHILE WE'RE HOT!
BLOOD & CANDY U.S. TOUR
BLOOD & Candy U.S. TOUR
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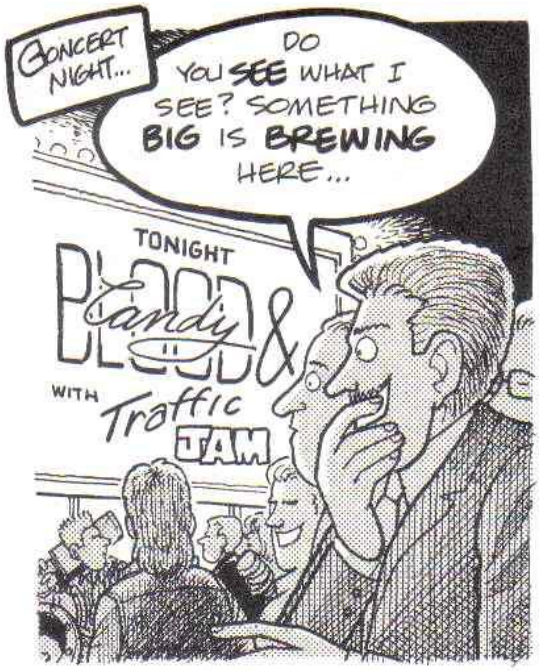
WE'VE RELEASED THE LIVE OVERSEAS TOUR ALBUM AND IT'S ALREADY GONE GOLD!
Candy OVERSEAS TOUR
YOU AND KRASS HAVE TO MEET THE BAND IN THE MID WEST WITH, OF COURSE, TRAFFIC JAM!
OKAY... WE'LL BE THERE AS SOON AS WE CAN...
WE'VE GOT A STAR ON OUR HANDS, PAL...
LOOK... TRAFFIC JAM!
YEA!
THE JAMSTER!
YEA, IT NO LONGER BELONGS TO US... IT BELONGS TO THE WORLD!
BEEP BEEP
TJAM
BUMP BUMP BUMP!


CONCERT NIGHT...
DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE? SOMETHING BIG IS BREWING HERE...
TONIGHT
BLOOD & Candy
WITH Traffic JAM

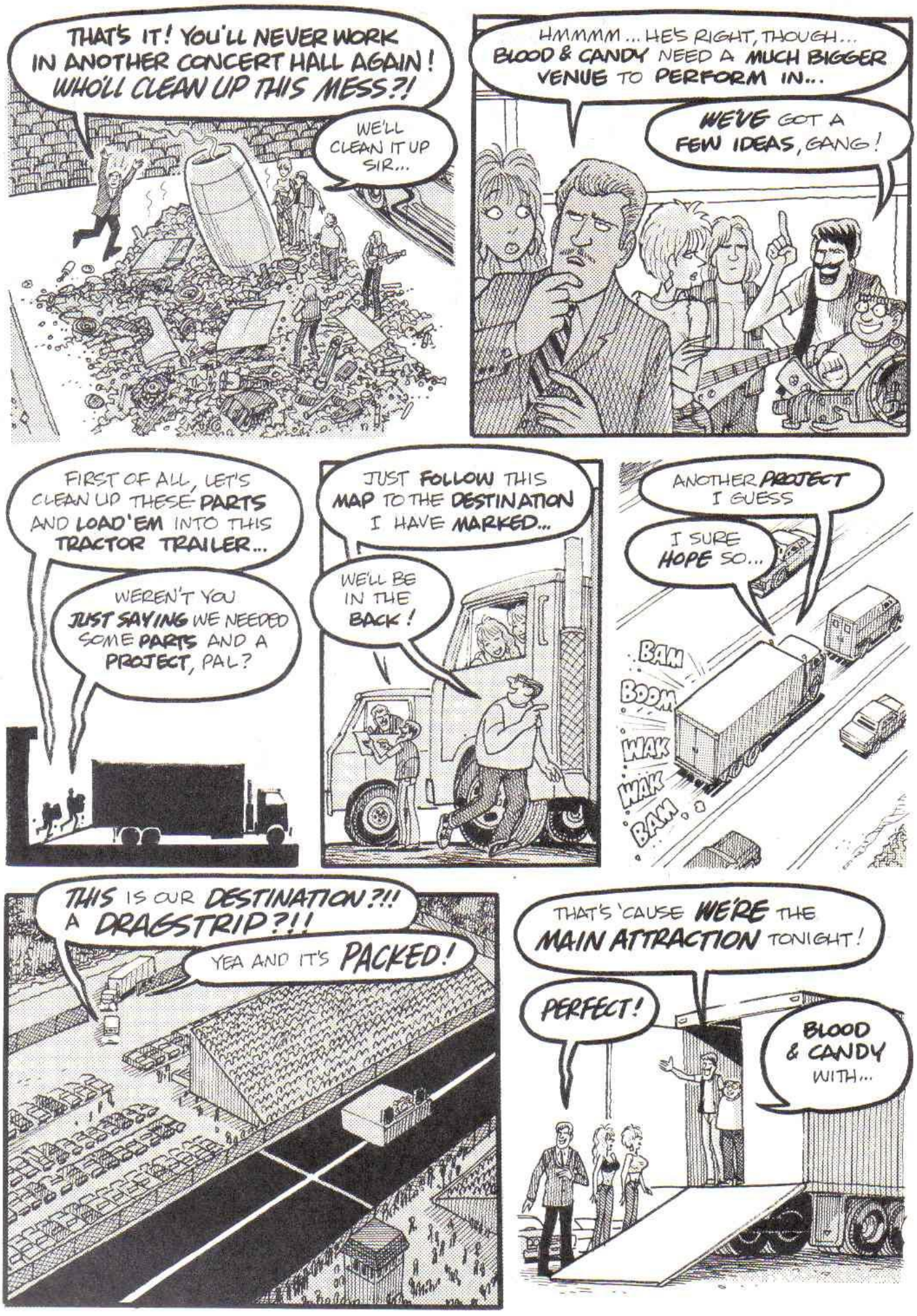
WITH ELVIS, THE FANS THREW TEDDY BEARS ON STAGE...
I WANNA' BE YOUR TEDDY BEAR...

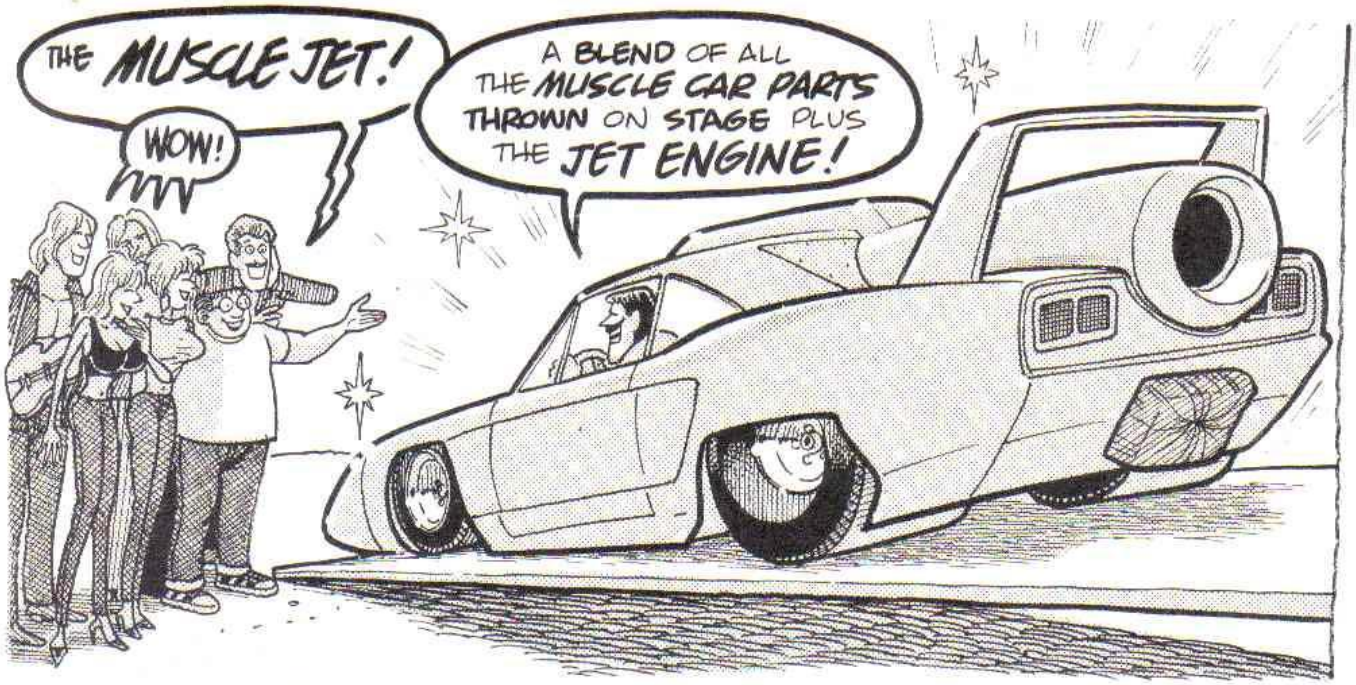
WITH THE BEATLES, IT WAS JELLY BEANS...
YEAH YEAH YEAH YEAH!

LOOKS LIKE WITH BLOOD & CANDY IT'S GONNA' BE CAR PARTS!
YOU'RE A TRAFFIC JAM BABY... MAKE ME WAIT ALL NIGHT LONG!
YOU'RE THEIR MANAGER... DO SOMETHING! THOSE KIDS ARE DESTROYING MY STAGE!
MY COMPANY WILL PAY FOR ALL DAMAGES!

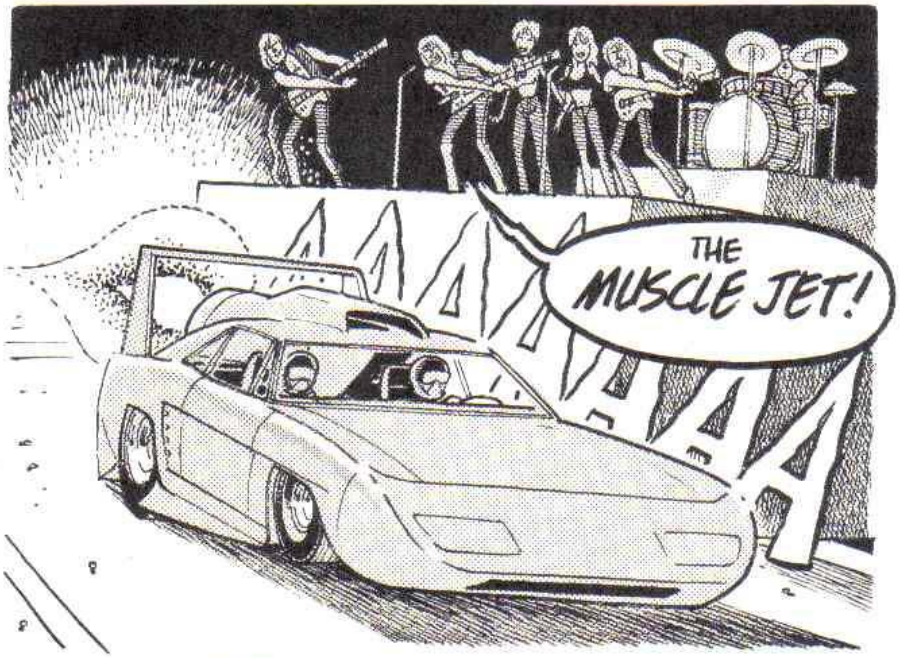
MEANWHILE ABOVE...
GA'6! MAINTAINENCE COST CUT BACKS!
Rip
YOU'VE BEEN A GREAT AUDIENCE! GOOD NIGHT EVERYONE!
TONIGHT BLOOD & CANDY

CRASSHH!
NNNNNNNGGG
YEA!
WHAT A FINISH!
WHUMP!


THAT'S IT! YOU'LL NEVER WORK IN ANOTHER CONCERT HALL AGAIN! WHO'LL CLEAN UP THIS MESS?!
WE'LL CLEAN IT UP SIR...
HMMMM... HE'S RIGHT, THOUGH... BLOOD & CANDY NEED A MUCH BIGGER VENUE TO PERFORM IN...
WE'VE GOT A FEW IDEAS, GANG!
FIRST OF ALL, LET'S CLEAN UP THESE PARTS AND LOAD'EM INTO THIS TRACTOR TRAILER...
WEREN'T YOU JUST SAYING WE NEEDED SOME PARTS AND A PROJECT, PAL?
JUST FOLLOW THIS MAP TO THE DESTINATION I HAVE MARKED...
WE'LL BE IN THE BACK!
ANOTHER PROJECT I GUESS
I SURE HOPE SO...
BAM
BOOM
WAK
WAK
BAM
THIS IS OUR DESTINATION?!! A DRAGSTRIP?!!
YEA AND IT'S PACKED!
THAT'S 'CAUSE WE'RE THE MAIN ATTRACTION TONIGHT!
PERFECT!
BLOOD & CANDY WITH...


THE MUSCLE JET!
WOW!
A BLEND OF ALL THE MUSCLE CAR PARTS THROWN ON STAGE PLUS THE JET ENGINE!

GOOD EVENING EVERYONE... ARE YOU ALL READY TO ROCK AND ROLL WITH...
ROAR!
MAKE SURE YOU GET ALL THIS ON TAPE!


THE MUSCLE JET!

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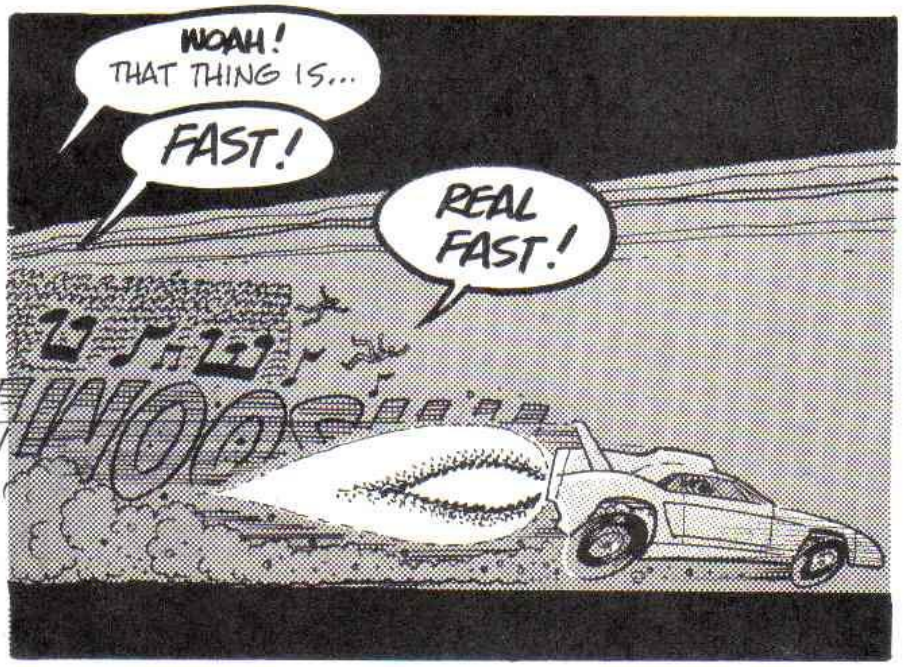
WOAH! THAT THING IS...
FAST!
REAL FAST!

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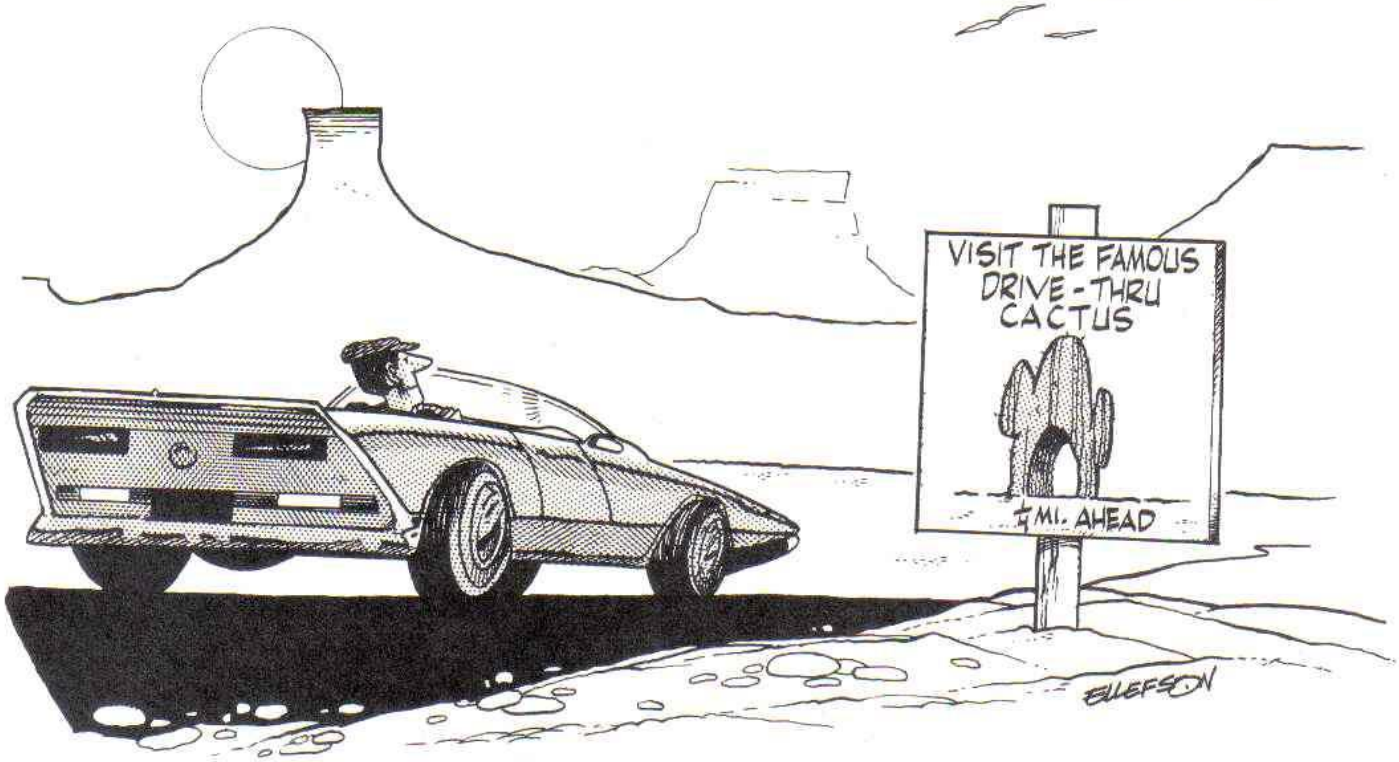
TWO FOR THE ROAD — SHIRVANIAN

"Isn't it about time you started thinking about cars instead of horsie rides?"

ELLEFSON



PUT *YOURSELF* IN THE PICTURE!

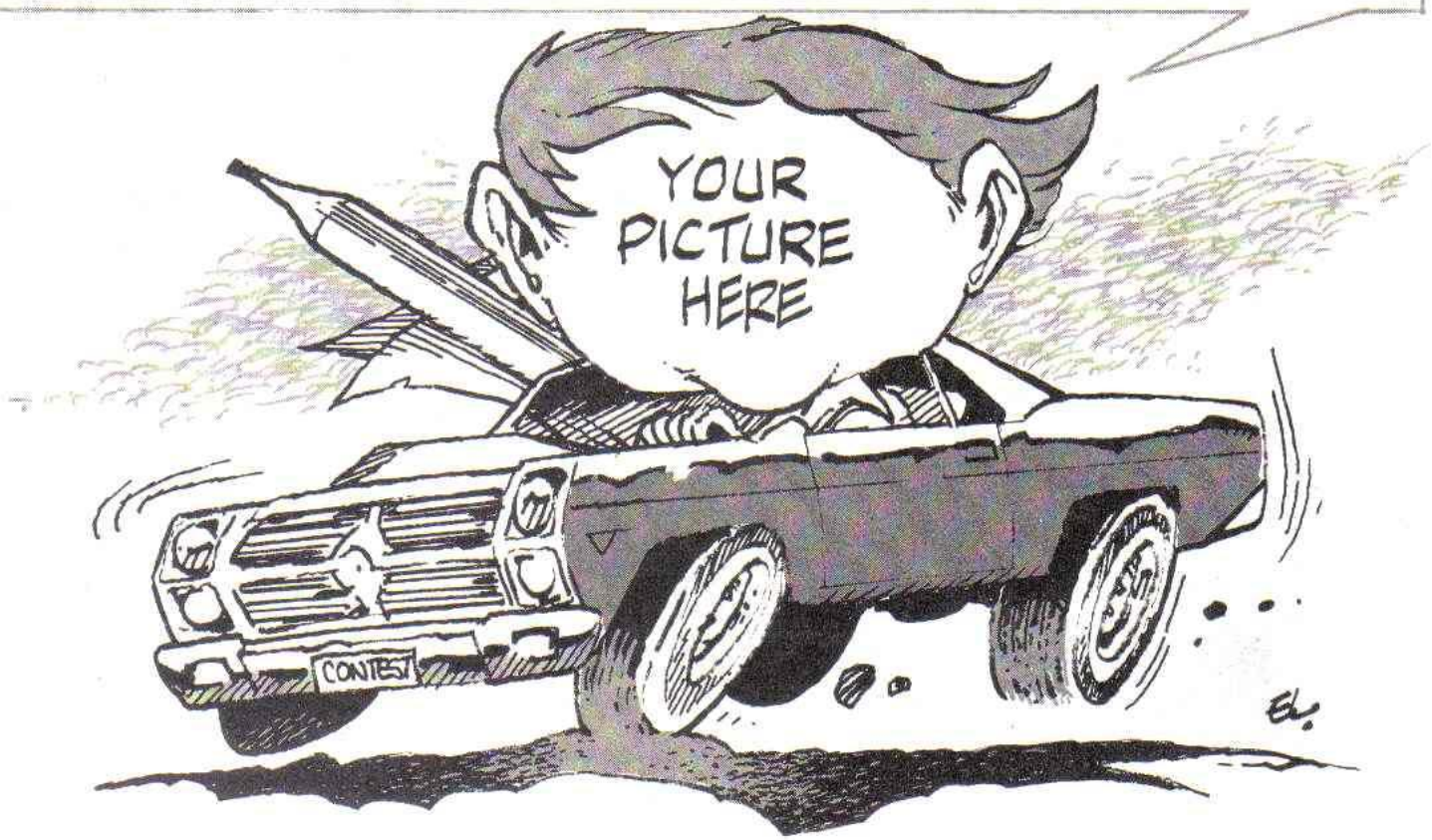
No spit, man. That's what we want!

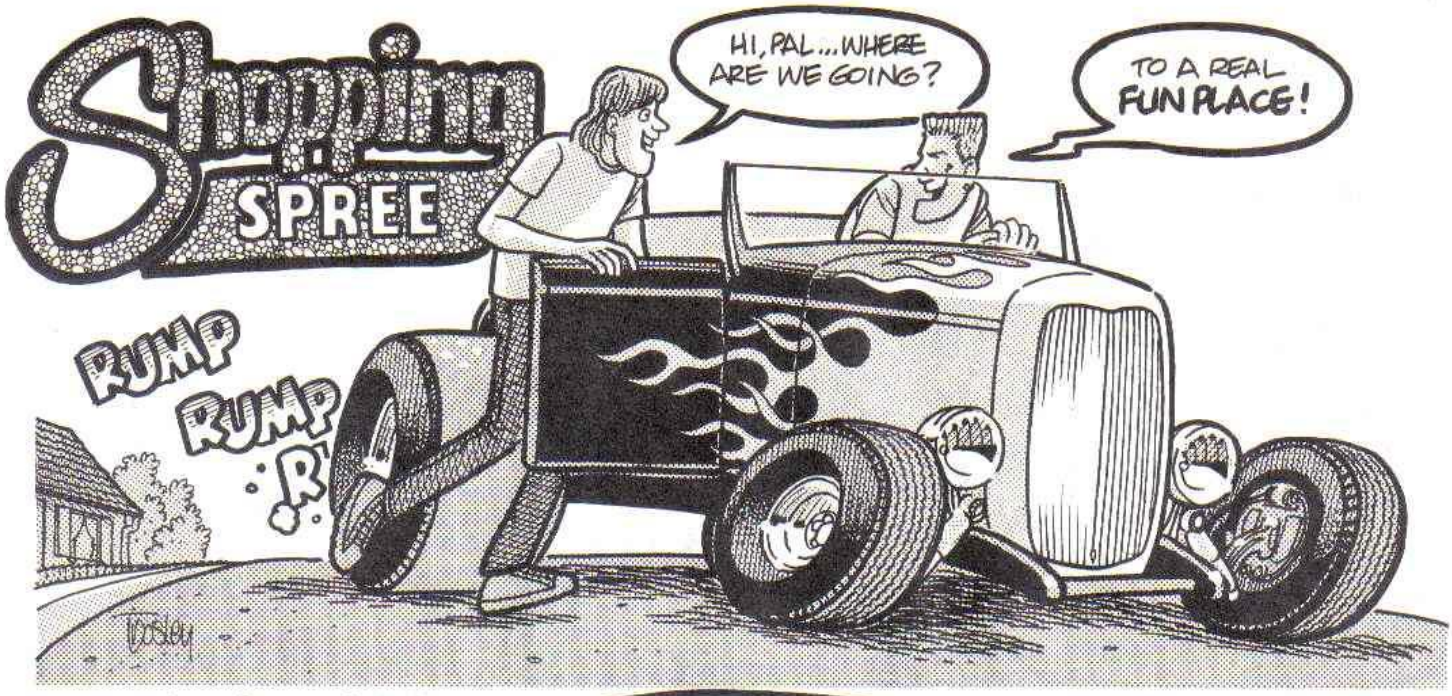
To be a possible winning ENTRY in our upcoming MUSCLECAR CONTEST, you must do 2-things: (1) Draw your own Musclecar (real or imagined) and make it the wildest machine anybody ever drew. (2) Draw YOURSELF sitting in that rad Musclecar, behind the steeringwheel!

WARNING! NO PHOTOS OF YOURSELF ALLOWED! THE DRAWING OF THE MUSCLECAR MUST HAVE A DRAWING OF YOURSELF AS ITS DRIVER. OTHERWISE YOU DISQUALIFY YOUR ENTRY.

Just carefully draw (and ink) the baddest, most chillin' & most hype Musclecar that ever thundered onto paper– and put the Real You in the frontseat! For best results make the entry-drawing on plain white (unlined) typing paper, size 8½-inches by 11-inches–being SURE to letter clearly your name and full address on the BACK of the drawing.

WINNERS' PRIZES TO BE ANNOUNCED. Meanwhile, we can only guarantee that none of the prizes will be: A week's visit at your house by Krass & Bernie, the Hardin Horror Video, "Shed The Undead Cat Dies 9-Times" or a genuine plush, stuffed Pet Alien handstitched by Kohler during a rare spasm of sanity.




Shopping SPREE
HI, PAL... WHERE ARE WE GOING?
TO A REAL FUN PLACE!
RUMP RUMP R

BBRRRAAPP
WHAT THE...

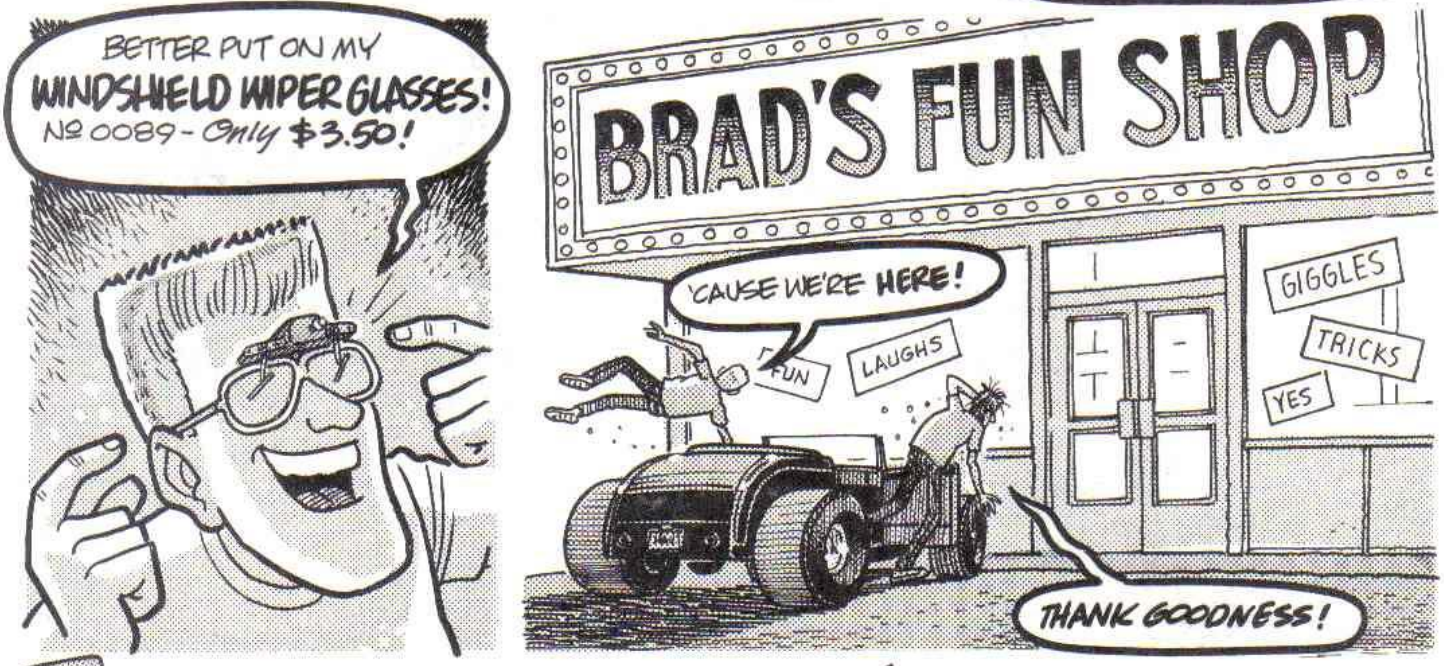
HA HA THAT'S MY WHOOPEE CUSHION! № 006 - Only 88¢!
JUST THROW IT IN THE GLOVE COMPARTMENT...

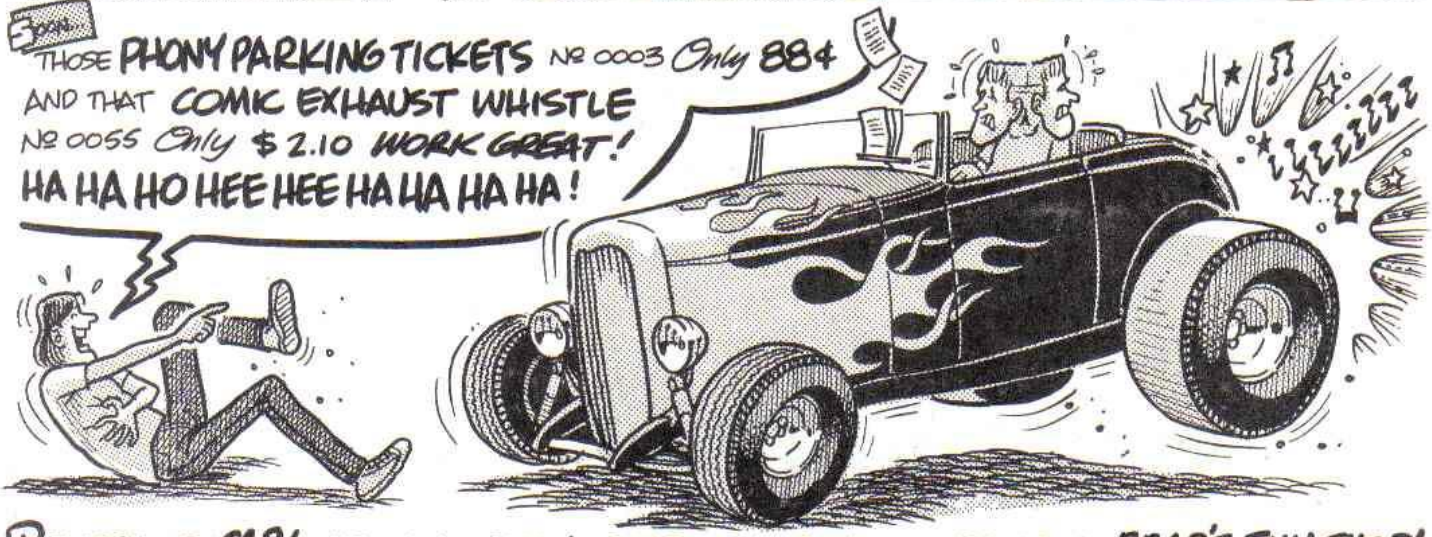
THERE'S SOME GUM IN THERE... WHY DON'T YOU HAVE SOME...
GEE, THANKS!

HA HA HOOHE HA THAT'S MY HOT GUM! № 0017 - Only 88¢!

UNDER THE SEAT IS A CAN OF NUTS... HAVE SOME - THEY'LL TAKE THE TASTE AWAY...

YAAA!
THAT'S MY TRICK SNAKE NUT CAN! № 0090 - Only $3.50! HAHAHOHAHEEHA





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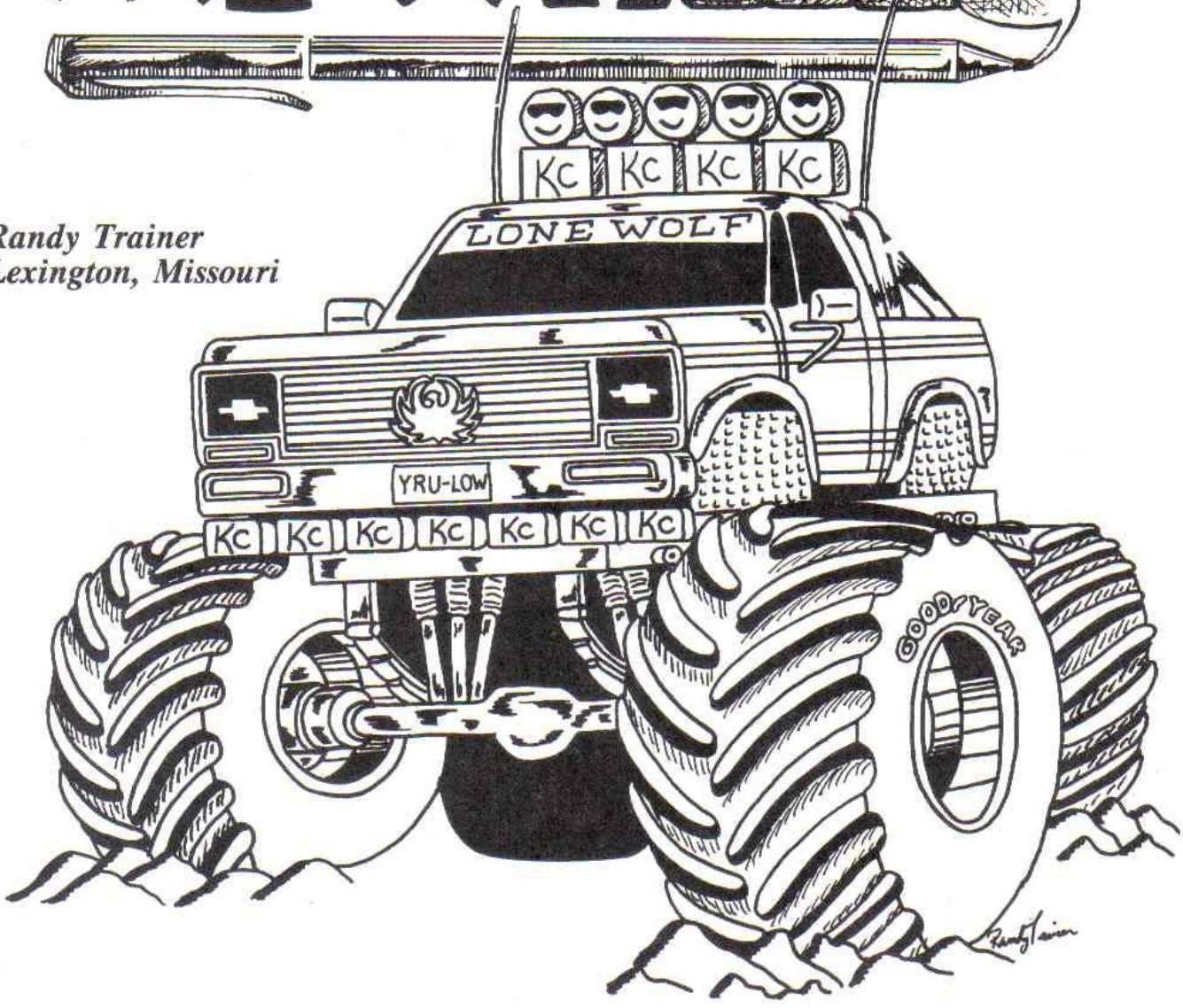
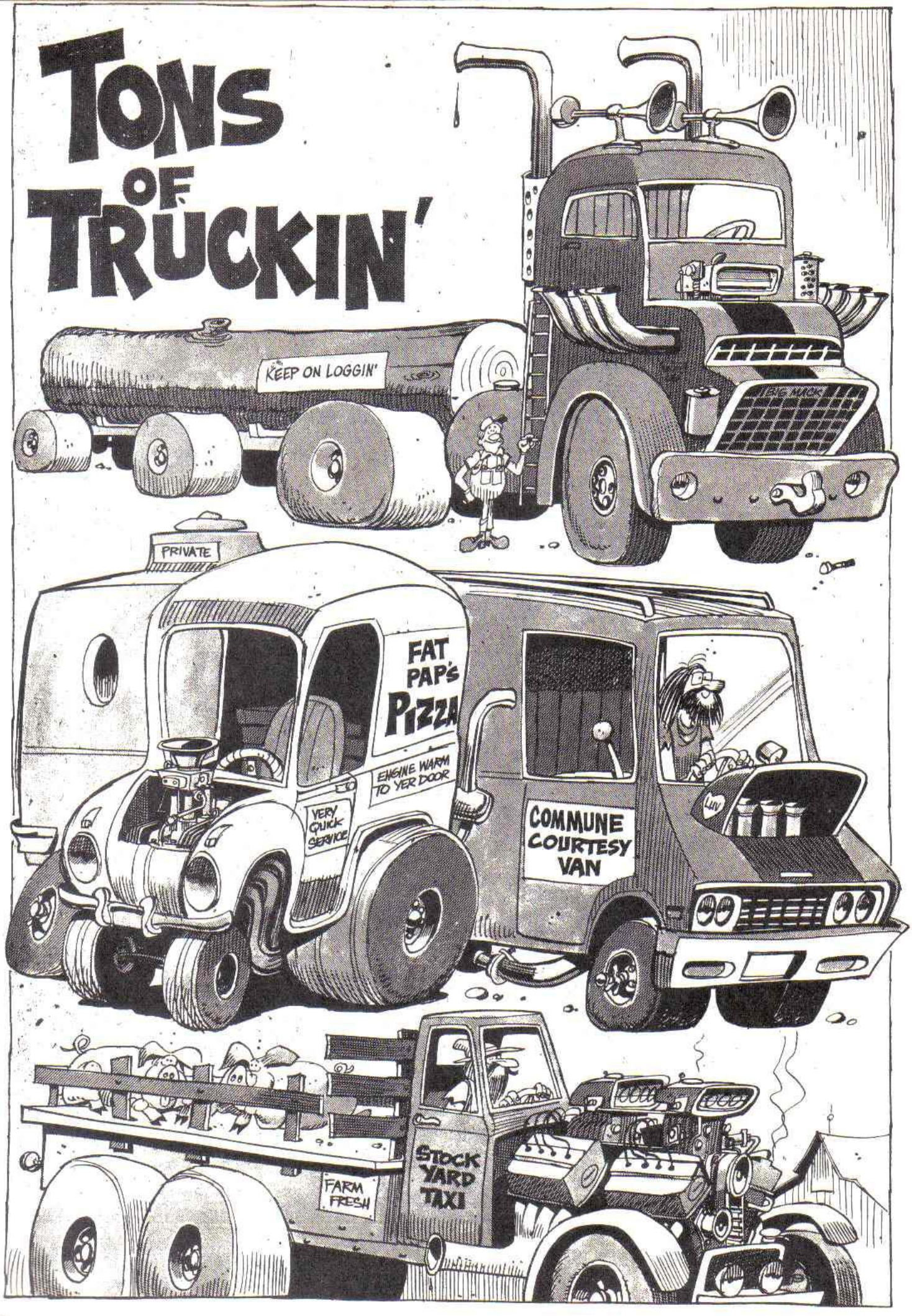


Randy Trainer
Lexington, Missouri


TONS OF TRUCKIN'
KEEP ON LOGGIN'
PRIVATE
FAT PAP'S PIZZA
ENGINE WARM TO YER DOOR
VERY QUICK SERVICE
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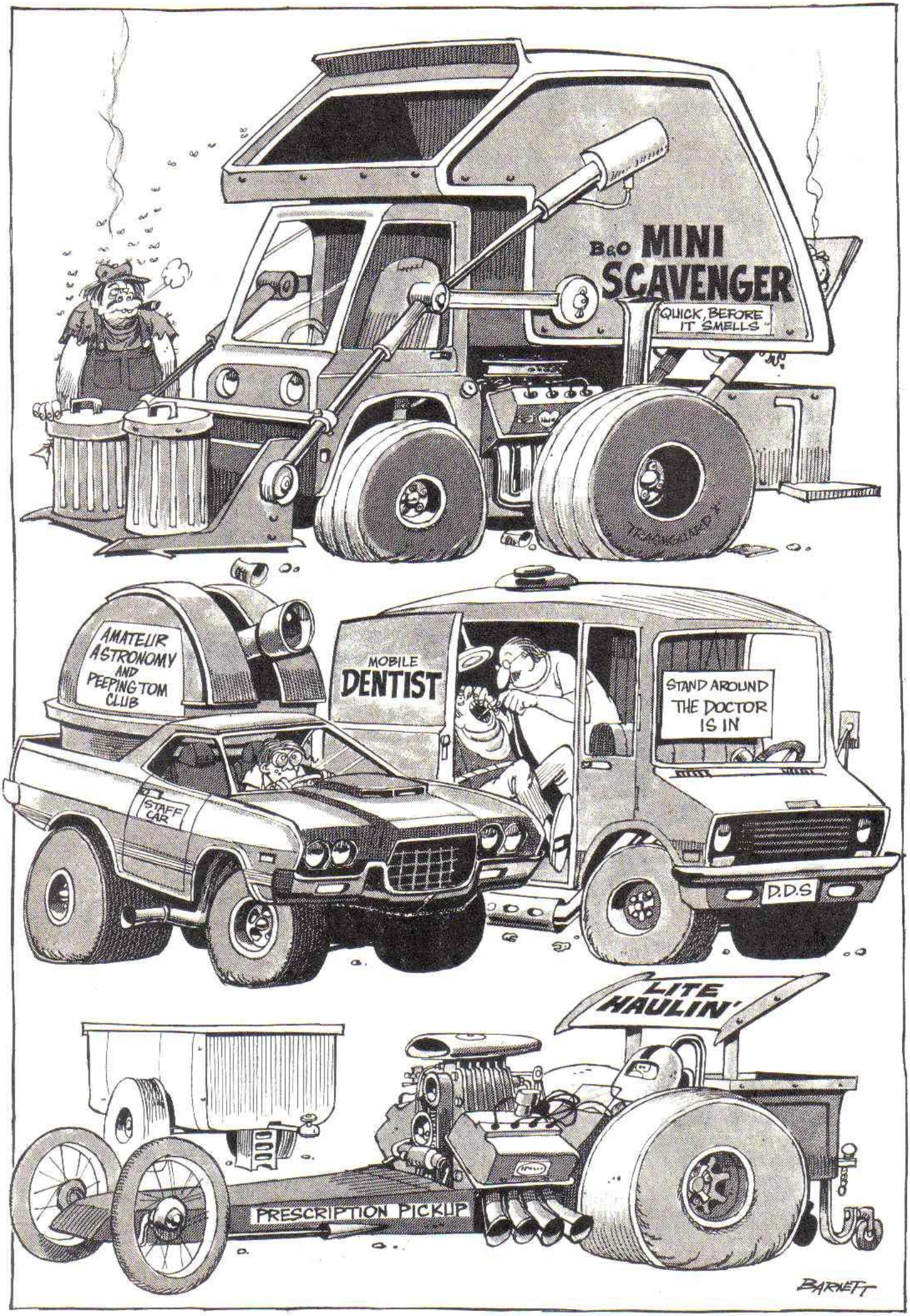
LUV
FARM FRESH
STOCK YARD TAXI


B&O MINI SCAVENGER
QUICK, BEFORE IT SMELLS
AMATEUR ASTRONOMY AND PEEPING TOM CLUB
MOBILE DENTIST
STAND AROUND THE DOCTOR IS IN
STAFF CAR
D.D.S
LITE HAULIN'
PRESCRIPTION PICKUP
BARNETT

TALE OF WOE

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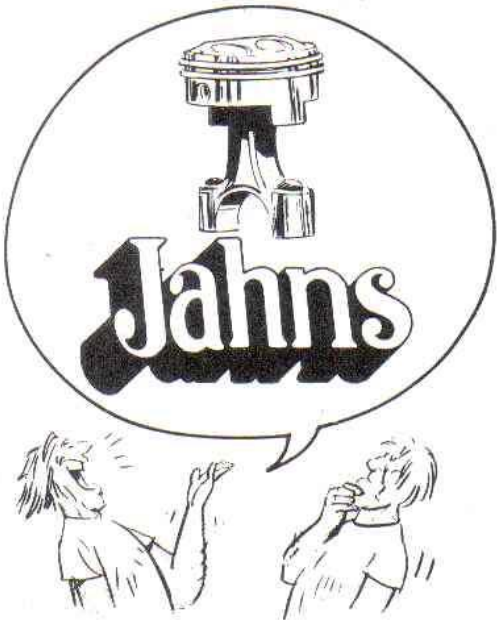

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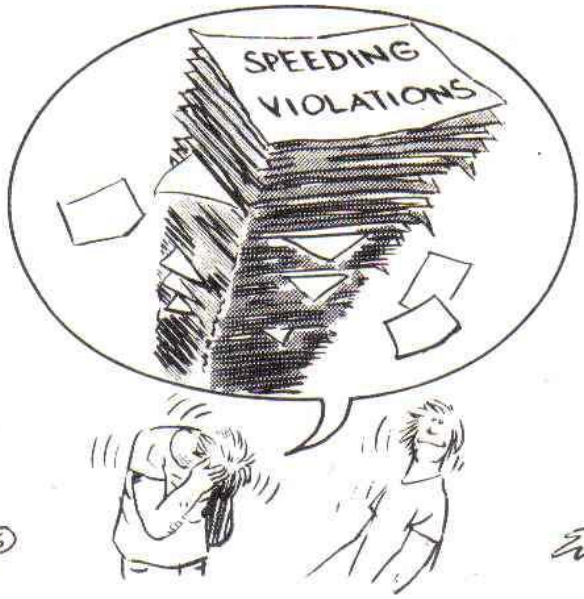

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End

POUND FOR POUND MORE FUN THAN A ROOM FULL OF FAT COMEDIANS.

FORD
'66-67 FAIRLANE
ENGINE: 390
355HP. GOBS
OF TORQUE.
STYLING: NOT
MEMORABLE
BUT, THEY
MAKE GREAT
SLEEPERS.

MUSCLECAR

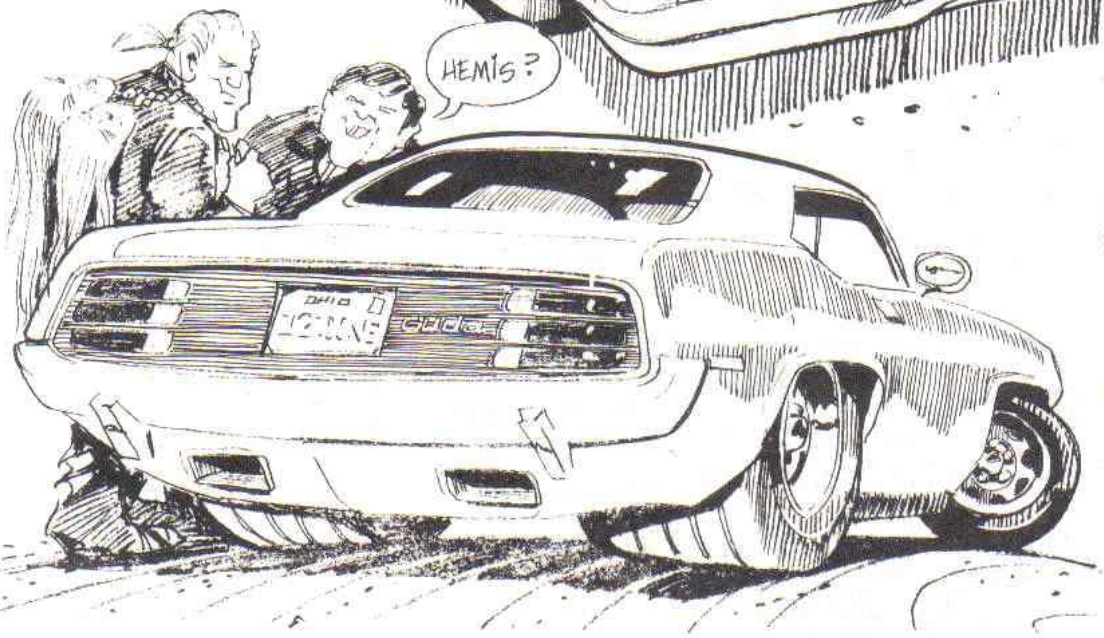
HERE ARE A FEW LOW BUCK HIGH PERFORMANCE MUSCLE-CARS THAT ARE SOMETIMES OVERLOOKED. USE THESE WHENEVER YOU'VE HAD ONE TOO MANY CAMAROS (UGH) OR (GROAN) MUSTANGS.

BUICK
'70 GRAN SPORT
ENGINE: 455 V8
TIRE BURNER.
STYLING: LOST IN
THE CROWD (BUICK-OLDS-
PONTIAC) BACK THEN.
CAN REALLY TURN
SOME HEADS TODAY.

OLDSMOBILE
'70 442
ENGINE: 455
V-8 WITH LOTS
OF OPTIONS FOR
LOOKING.
STYLING:
MAY WELL HAVE
BEEN DADDY'S
OLDSMOBILE, BUT
THEY STILL LOOK
PRETTY GOOD AND
HAVE MORE THAN
ENOUGH STEAM TO
COOK ANY RICE
DISH.

CHEVROLET
'67 NOVA SUPER SPORT
ENGINE: 283-327
PRIMO STREET RACER.
SHORTON BRAKES AND HANDLING.
STYLING: SOMETIMES DUBBED, 'DUECE' A HIGH COMPLIMENT.
TECH TIP: WHEN POLISHING THAT CUSTOM PAINT AVOID DIRECT SUN-LIGHT, CROWDS, ETC.

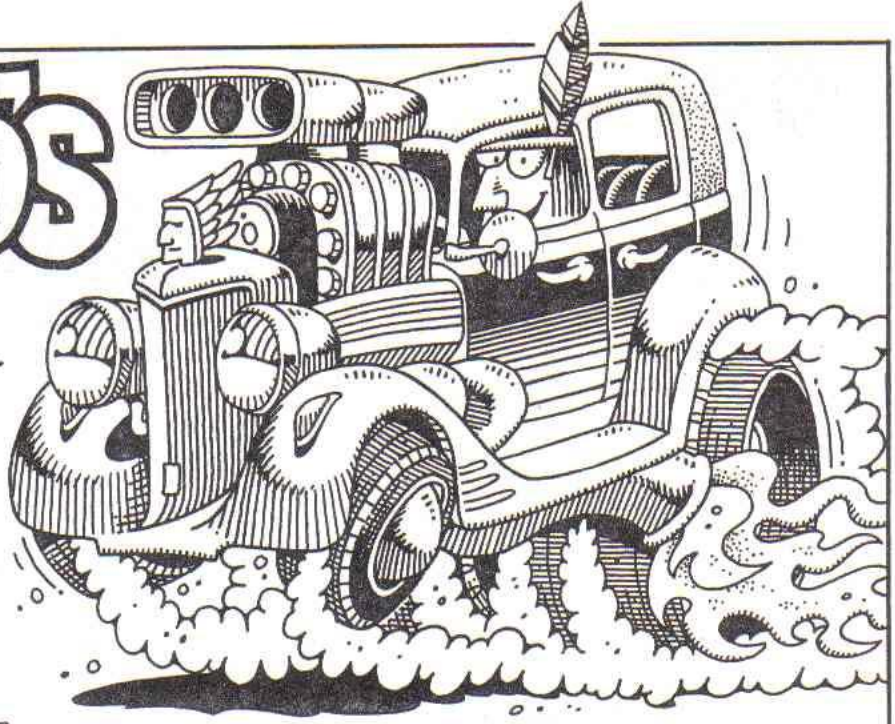
PONTIAC
'61 VENTURA
ENGINE: 389 TO 421
WORTHY PERFORMER.
STYLING: CLEAN SOPHISTICATED LINES HOLD UP BETTER AT THIRTY YEARS THAN A WHOLE BUNCH OF THE EIGHTIES COOKIE CUTTER CLONE CARS.



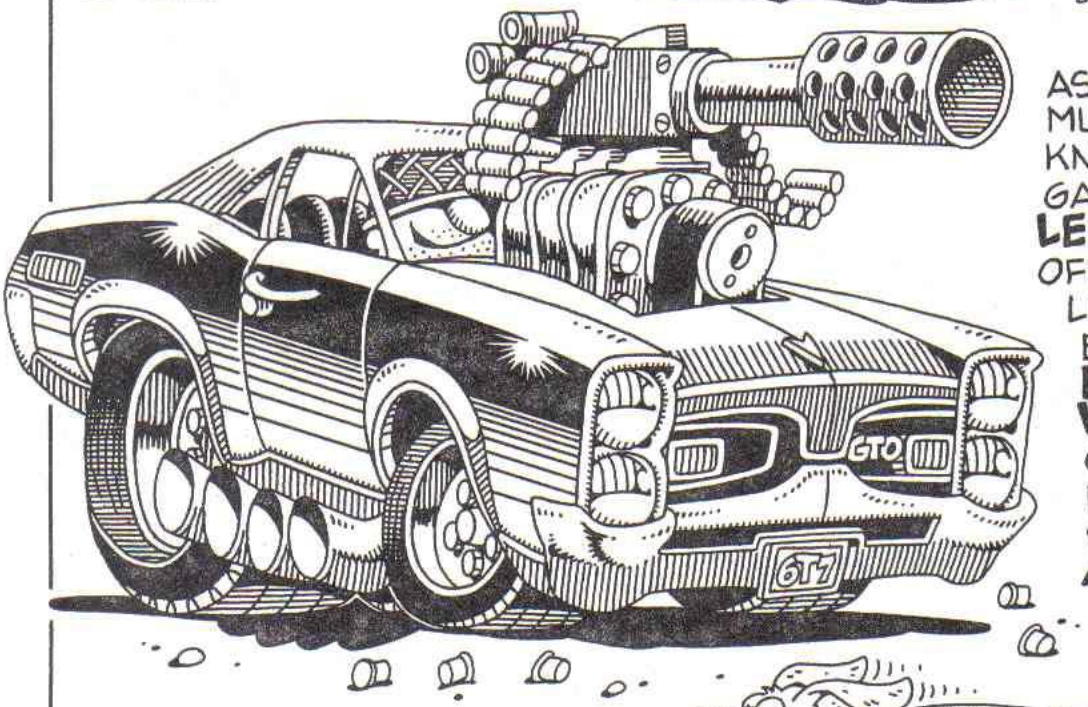
PLYMOUTH
'70 'CUDA
ENGINE: 426 HEMI (HEMISPHERICAL) COMBUSTION CHAMBERS IN THE HEADS. (NOW YOU KNOW)
PERFORMANCE: AWSOME!
STYLING: HOT PONY CAR LOOK OF THE ERA.
INCLUDED HERE 'CAUSE THEY'RE RARE AND NOT C. OR M. (CAMARO-MUSTANG)

'68 AMX 390
1968-1970
ENGINE: 390 CUBES = 315 HP. A REAL STAND UP PERFORMER.
STYLING: A SHORTENED VERSION OF THE JAVELIN. IT WON'T BE MISTAKEN FOR SOMETHING ELSE!
AMC
APPLE PIE MOTORS CO.
DODGE
'64 HEMI CORONET
ENGINE: 426 HEMI AND 440 WEDGE. WORKERS.
STYLING: POLICE DEPARTMENT UTILITARIAN CHIC. WATCH OUT FOR THE PLAIN WRAPPERS.
MERCURY
'70 BOSS COUGAR
ENGINE: 302 TO 429 HEMI. NO DOGS.
STYLING: NEVER CONFUSED FOR A MUSTANG. 21 YEARS AND THE LINES JUST GET BETTER.
DODGE I
CAMARO THE I MUSTANG III

PONCHO'S

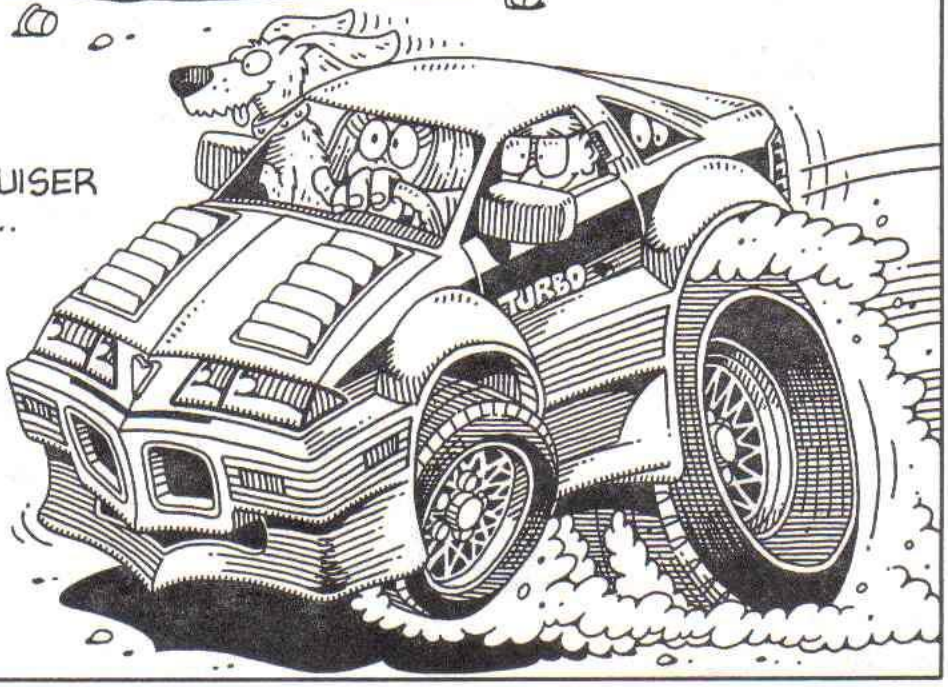


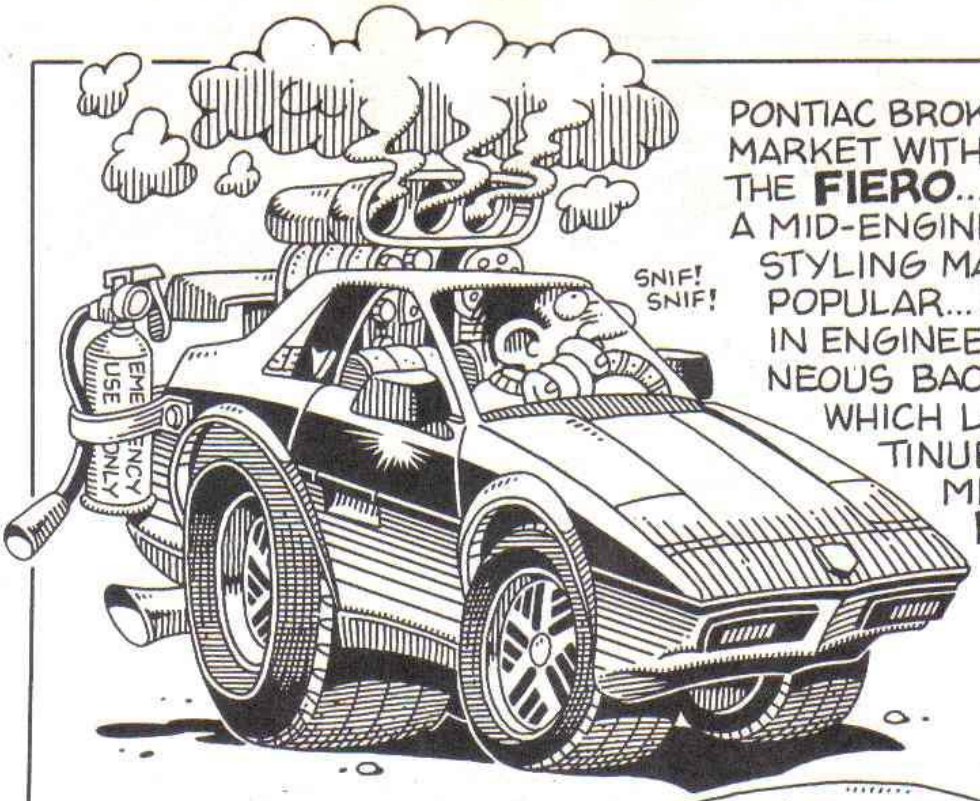
SURE, FORDS AND CHEVYS MIGHT BE MORE POPULAR... BUT WHEN IT COMES TO PERFORMANCE, **PONTIACS'** ARE HOTTER THAN AN INDIAN CHIEF ON THE **WARPATH!**... AND YOU CAN BET THOSE AREN'T PEACE PIPES COMIN' OFF A THAT ENGINE BLOCK!



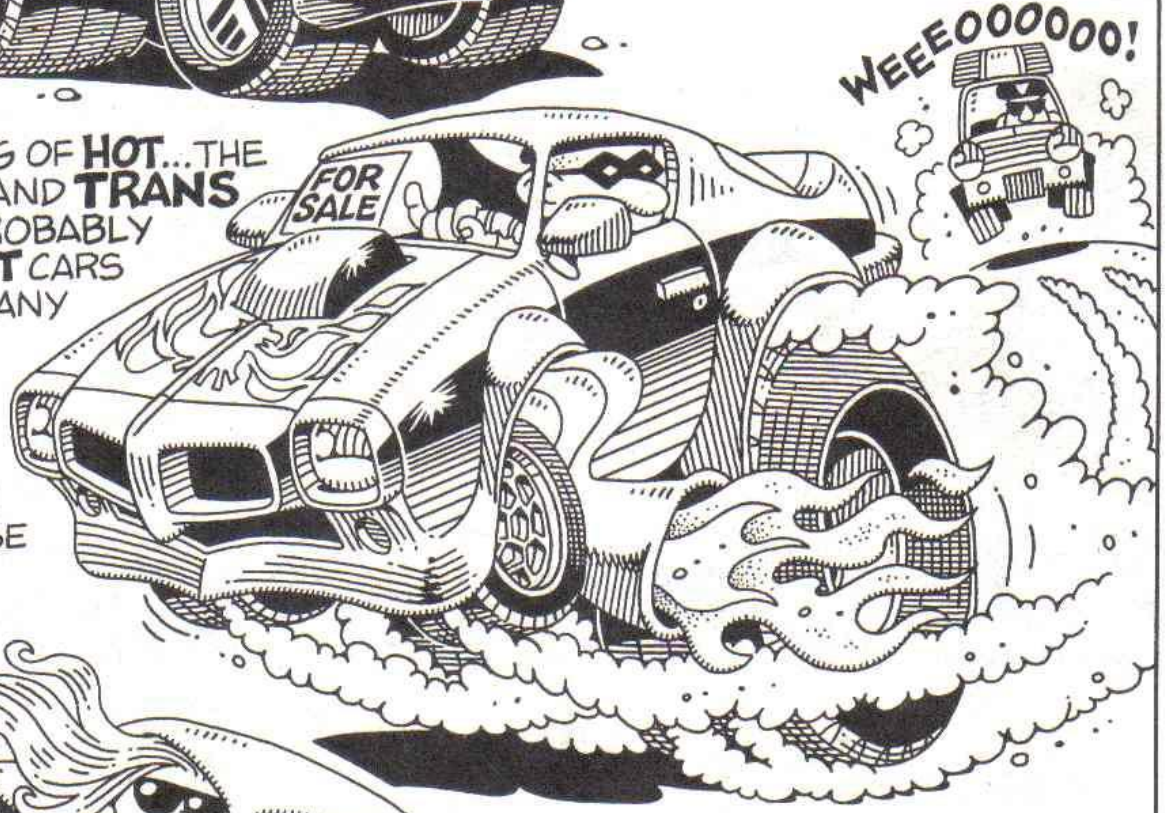
AS ANY STUDENT OF MUSCLE CAR HISTORY KNOWS... IT ALL BEGAN WHEN THE '64 **LEMANS/GTO** ROLLED OFF THE ASSEMBLY LINE!...THUS STARTED THE GREAT **HORSEPOWER WARS!**.. AND THE GOATS WERE EQUIPPED WITH SOME **HEAVY ARTILLERY!**

ANOTHER LANDMARK CRUISER IS THE **GRAND PRIX**... WHICH EVEN TODAY IS STILL ONE OF THE TOP SELLERS...THIS IS ONE OF THOSE CARS THAT CAN CARRY THE WHOLE FAMILY COMFORTABLY, AND STILL GIVE GREAT **STREET PERFORMANCE!**





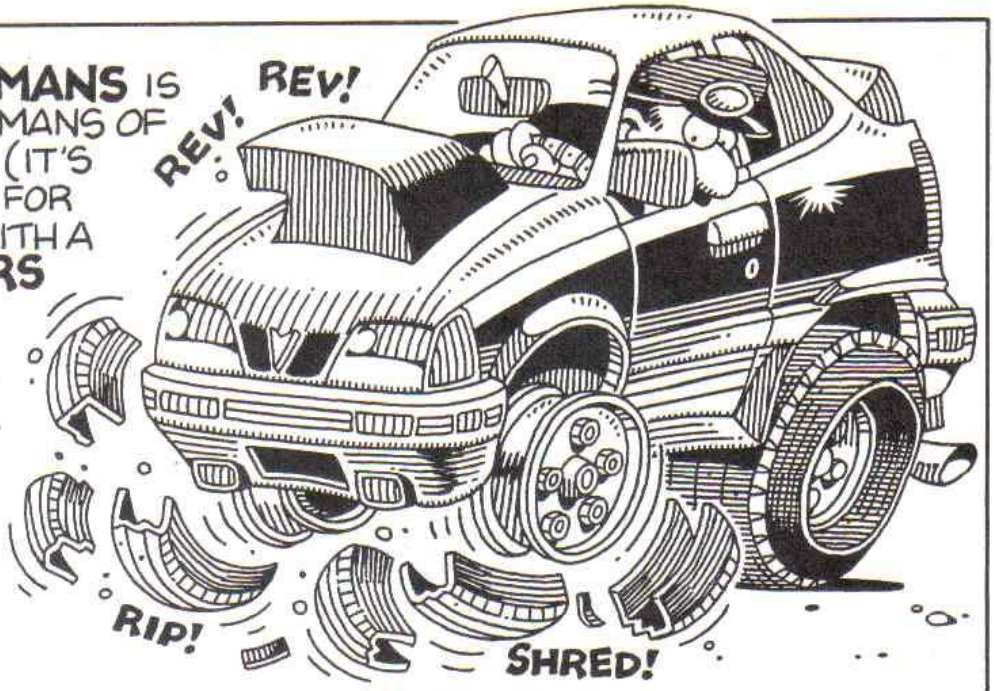
PONTIAC BROKE INTO THE SPORTSCAR MARKET WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF THE **FIERO**... PLASTIC BODY PANELS, A MID-ENGINE DESIGN, AND SLEEK STYLING MADE THESE CARS VERY POPULAR... UNFORTUNATELY FLAWS IN ENGINEERING CAUSED SPONTANEOUS BACK-SEAT ENGINE FIRES WHICH LED IT TO BE DISCONTINUED... BUT YA GOTTA ADMIT THESE WERE SOME **HOT** LITTLE VEHICLES WHILE THEY LASTED!



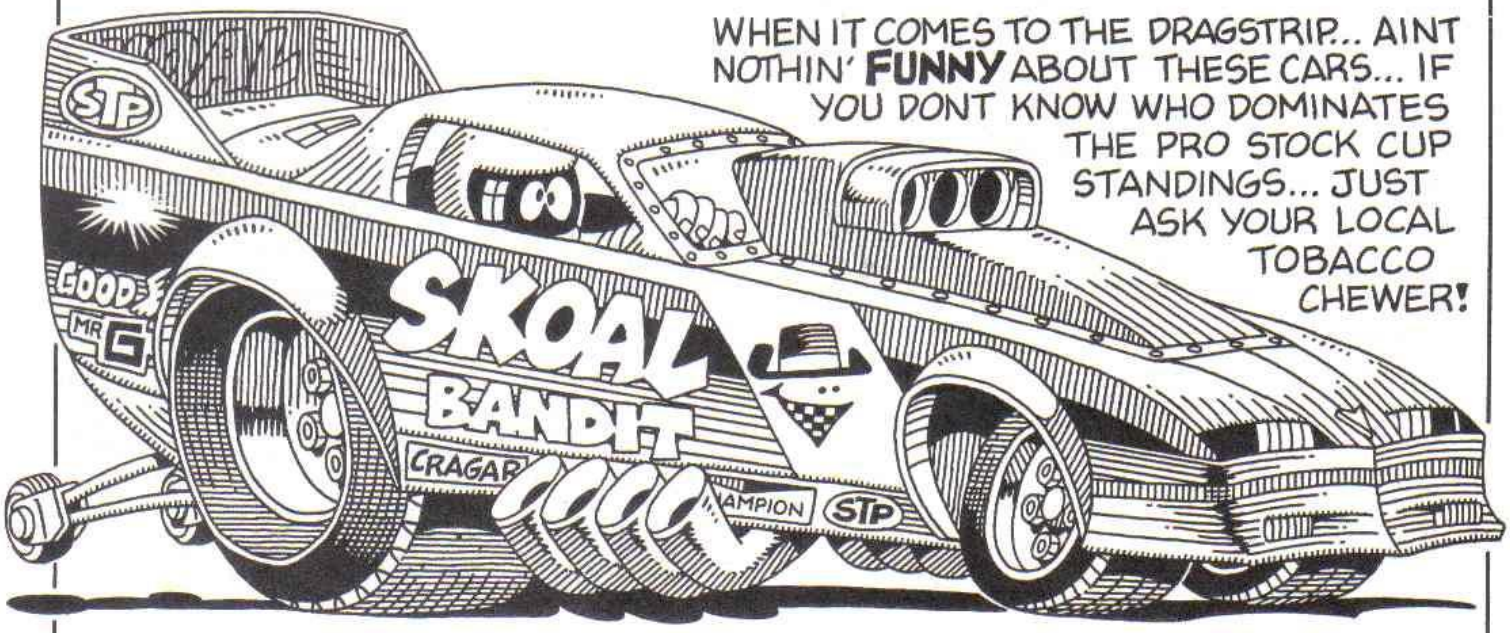
AND SPEAKING OF **HOT**... THE **FIREBIRDS** AND **TRANS AMS** ARE PROBABLY THE **HOTTEST** CARS AROUND... AS ANY INSURANCE AGENT WILL TELL YOU, CAR THIEVES REALLY SEEM TO LIKE THESE MACHINES!

RECENTLY, PONTIAC ENGINEERS CAME UP WITH A BIZARRE CONCEPT CAR CALLED THE **STINGER!** A COMBINATION SPORTSCAR AND DUNE BUGGY THAT HAD MORE ACCESSORIES THAN THE BATMOBILE! DESPITE HIGH PUBLIC INTEREST, GM LAWYERS AXED THE PROJECT CLAIMING THEY WERE GETTING **STUNG** WITH ENOUGH LAWSUITS ALREADY!

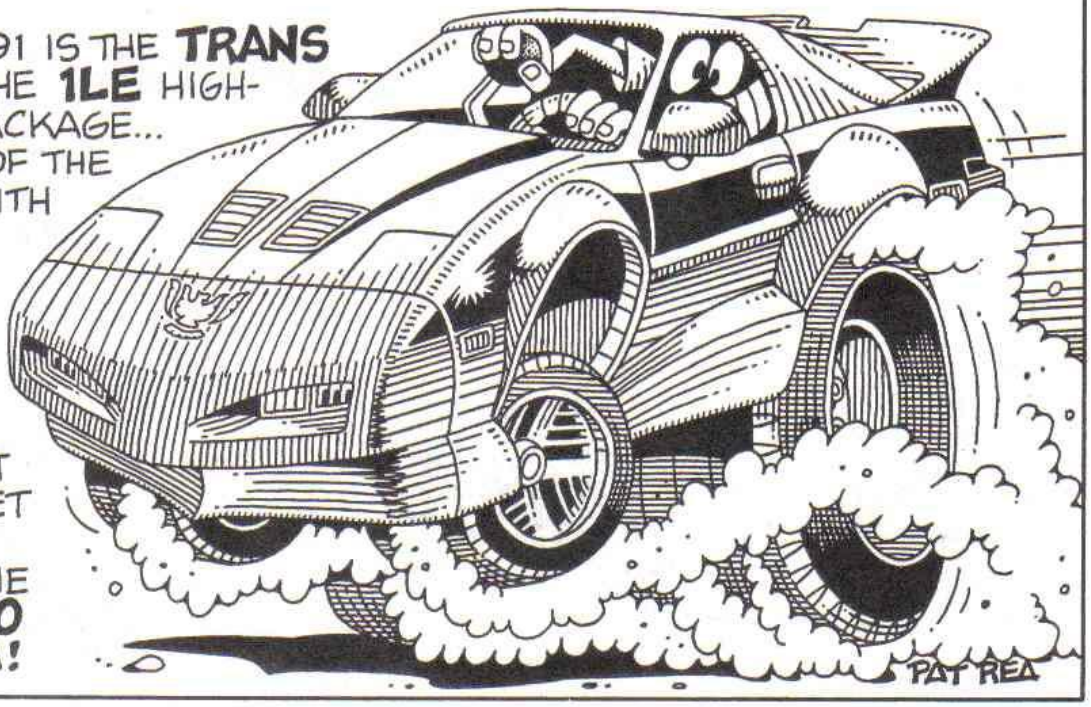
ALTHO' THE NEW **LEMANS** IS NOTHING LIKE THE LEMANS OF THE MUSCLE CAR ERA (IT'S BUILT IN KOREA NOW FOR GOSH SAKES!) BUT WITH A FEW **TURBOCHARGERS** THIS SUB-COMPACT MIGHT BE A REAL **SCREAMER!**... ONLY DRAWBACK IS EXCESSIVE FRONT TREAD WEAR... SO BE SURE TO ROTATE THOSE TIRES REGULARLY!

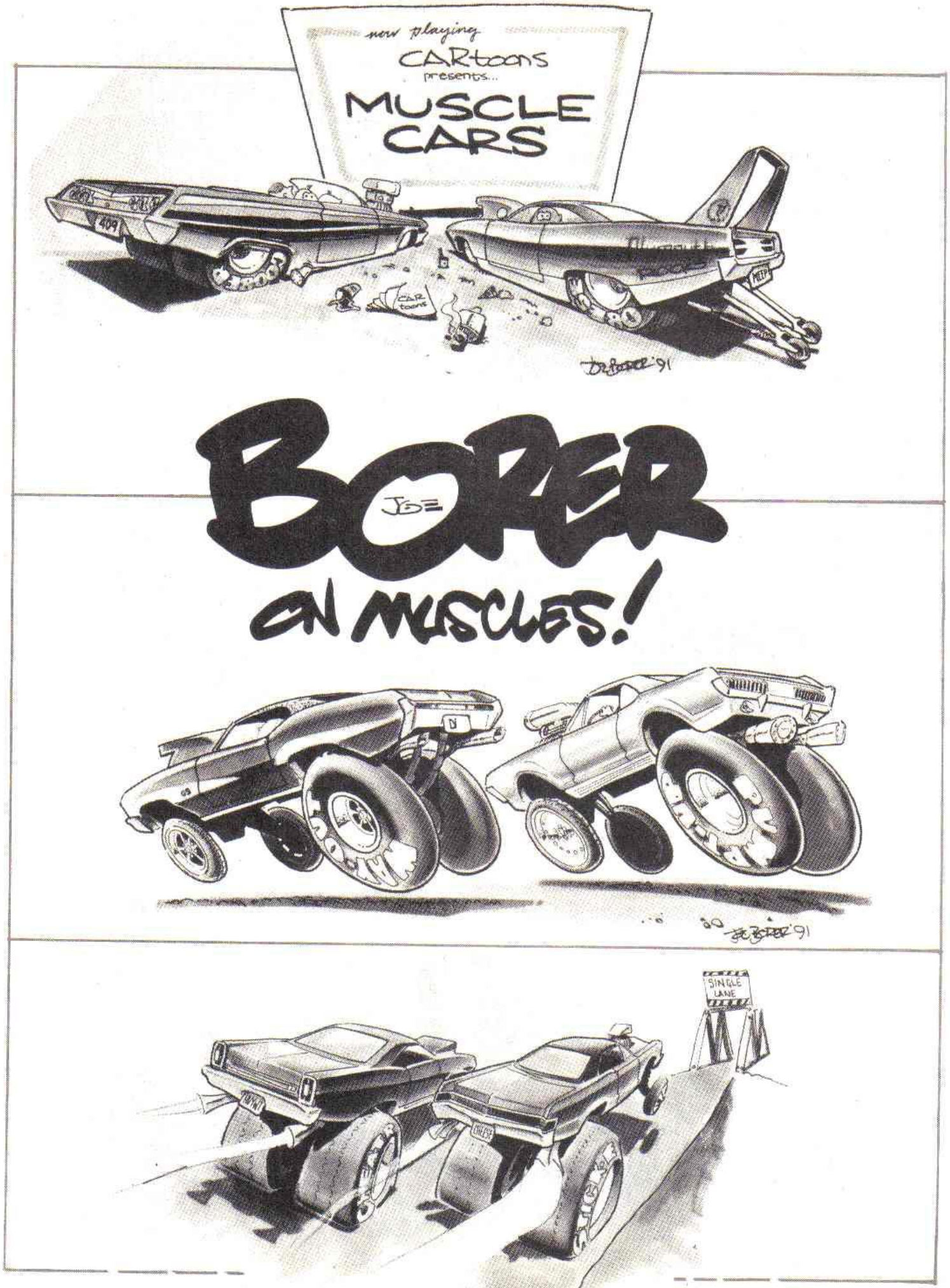


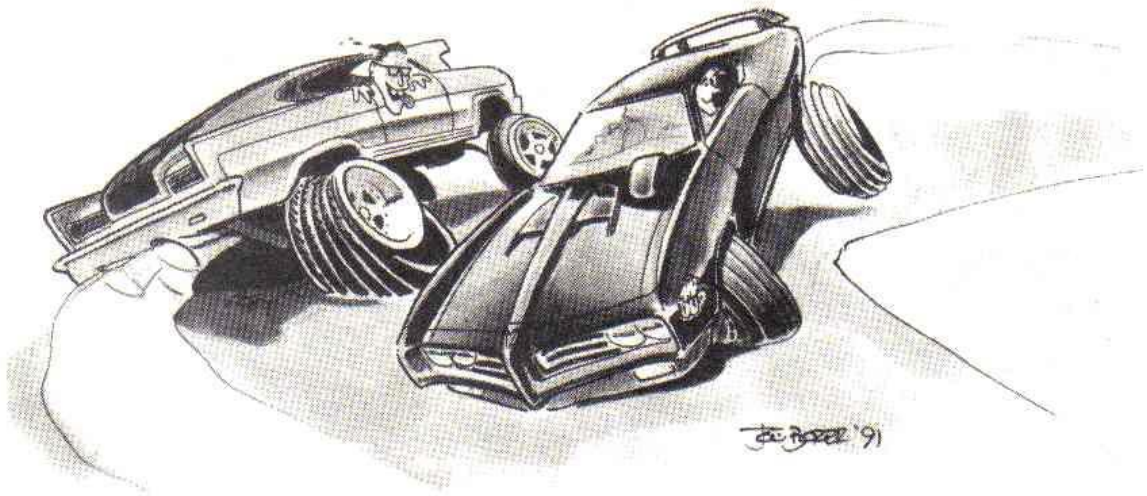
WHEN IT COMES TO THE DRAGSTRIP... AINT NOTHIN' **FUNNY** ABOUT THESE CARS... IF YOU DONT KNOW WHO DOMINATES THE PRO STOCK CUP STANDINGS... JUST ASK YOUR LOCAL TOBACCO CHEWER!



BRAND NEW FOR '91 IS THE **TRANS AM GTA** WITH THE **1LE** HIGH-PERFORMANCE PACKAGE... BE THE TERROR OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD WITH THIS FACTORY-BUILT RACE CAR! ONLY TRADE OFF IS NO AIR-CONDITIONING IS AVAILABLE WITH THIS OPTION... BUT HEY!.. YOU CAN GET A PRETTY GOOD BREEZE THRU THE WINDOWS AT **160** MILES PER HOUR!




now playing
CARtoons
presents...
MUSCLE CARS
BORER
ON MUSCLES!
SINGLE LANE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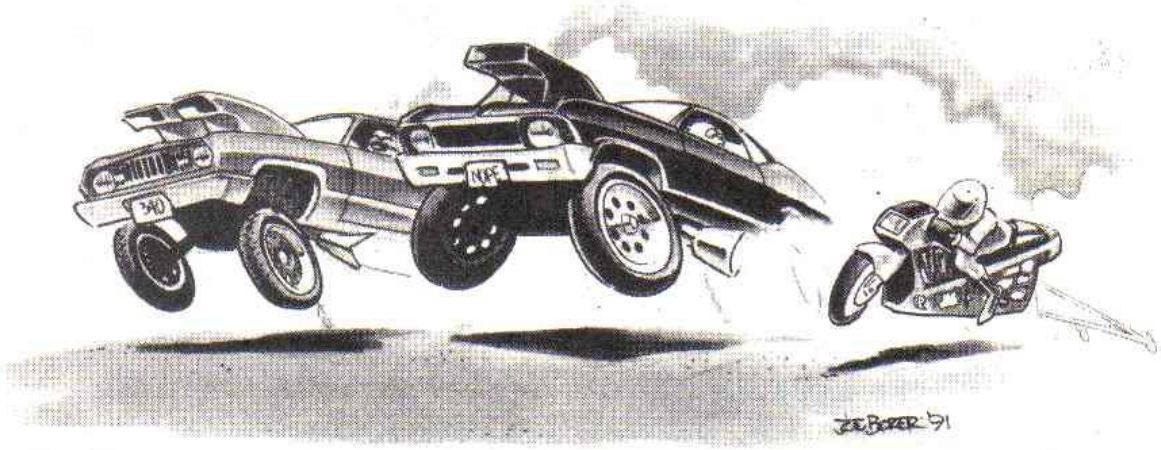
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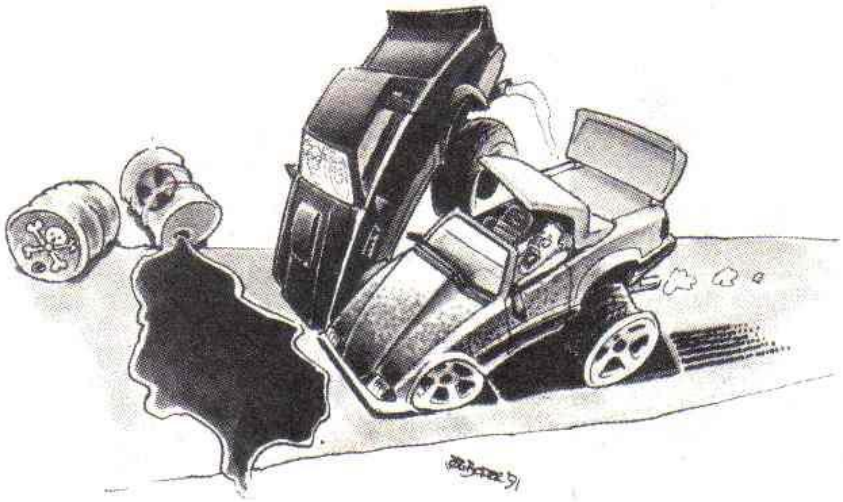

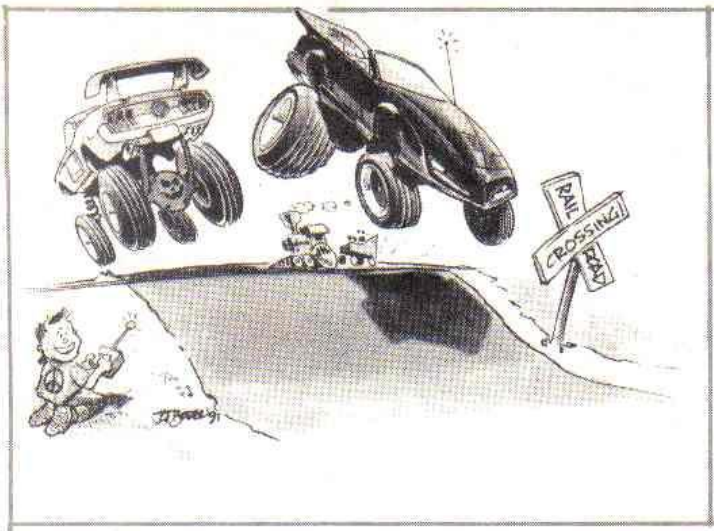
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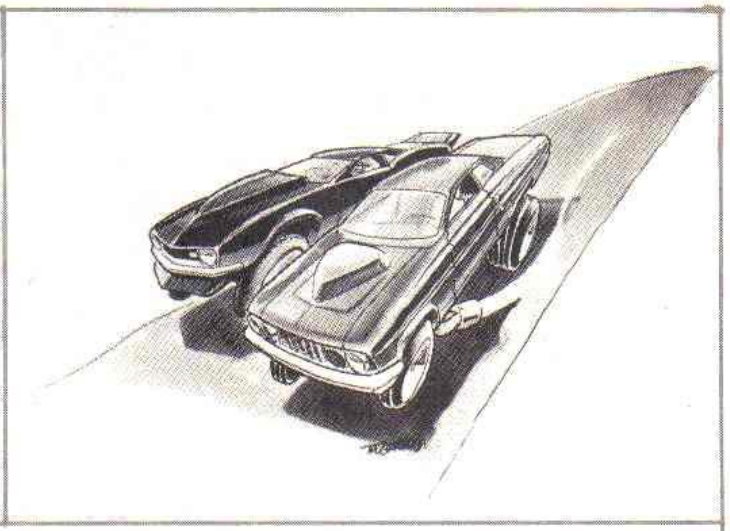

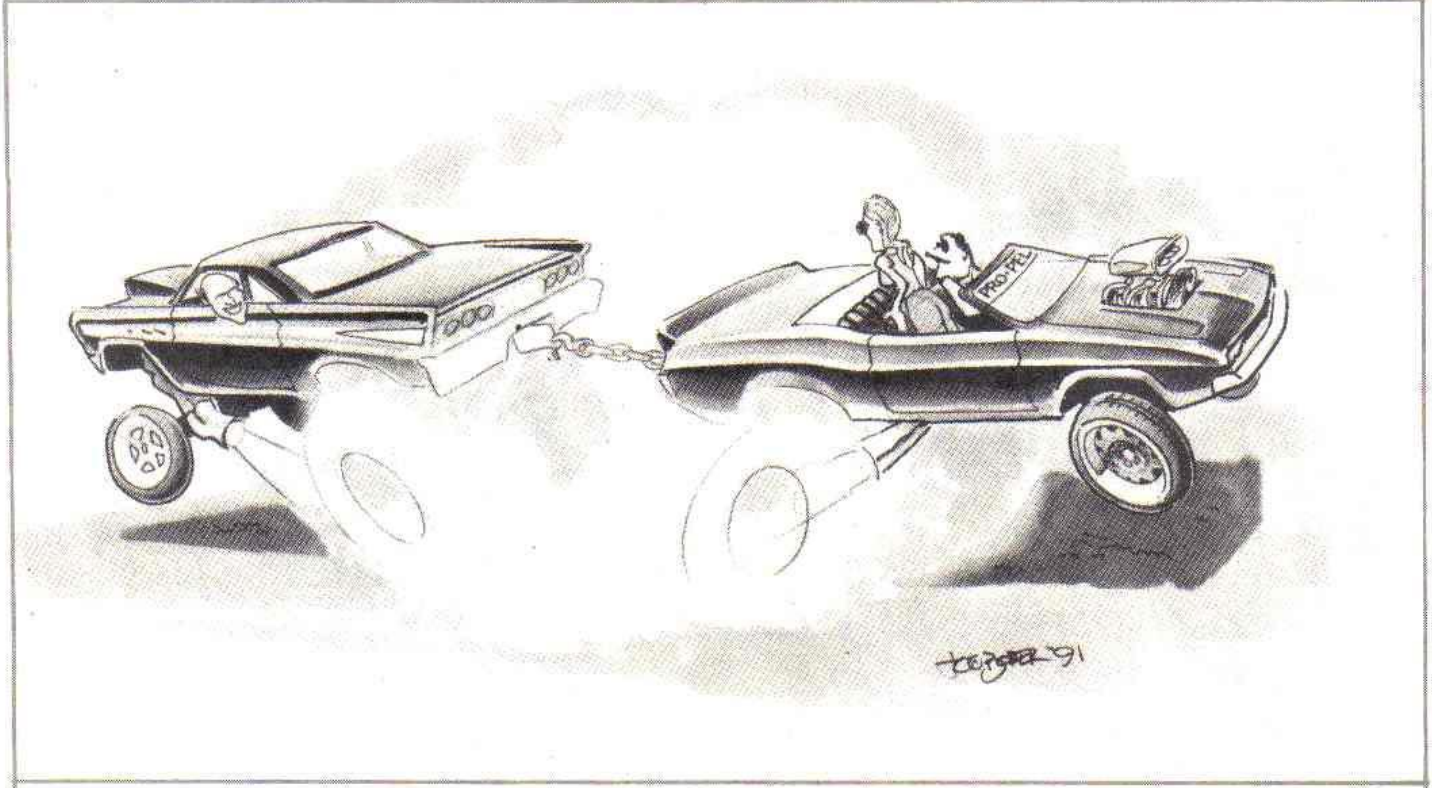
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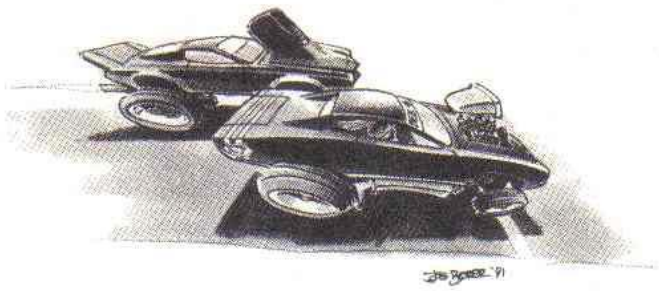

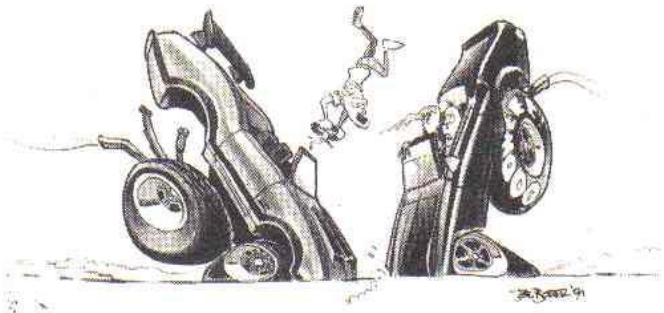

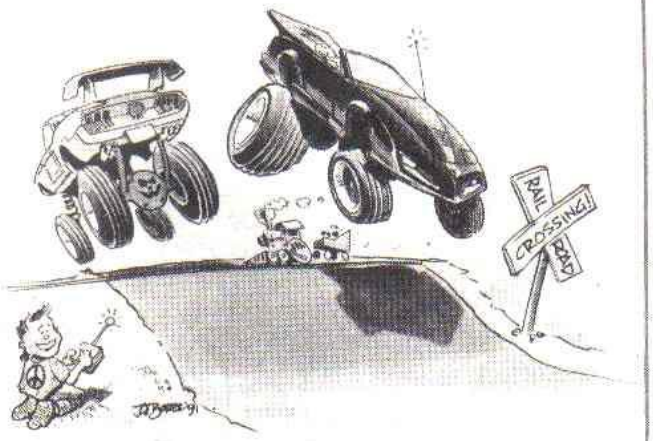
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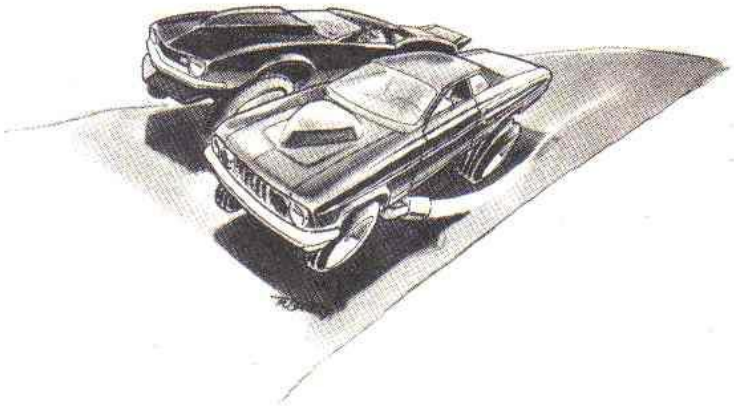
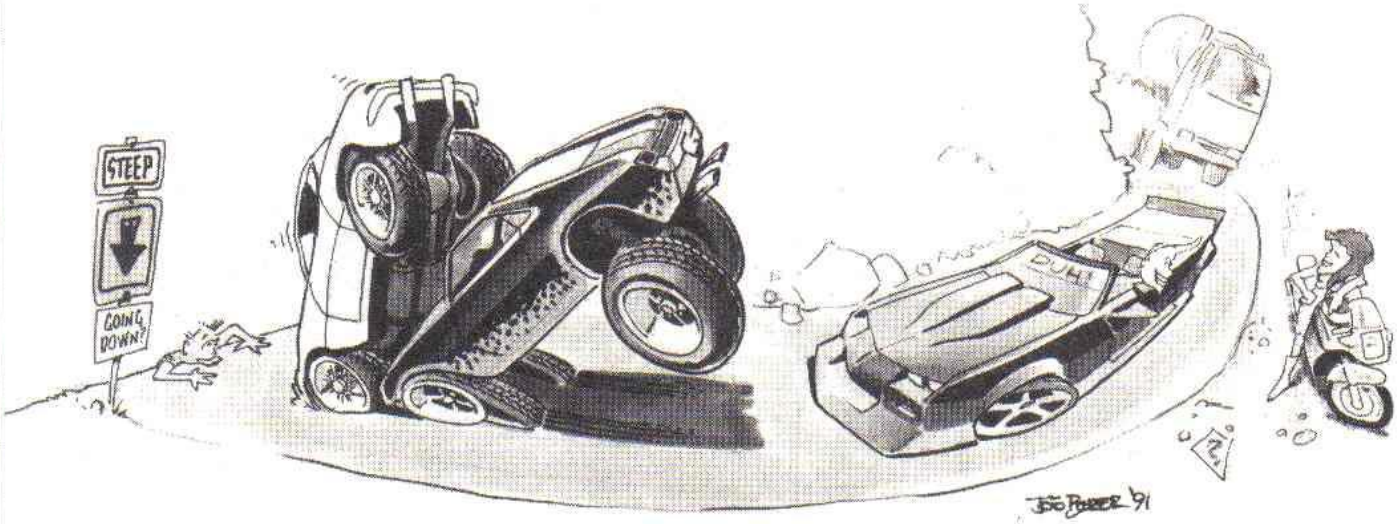
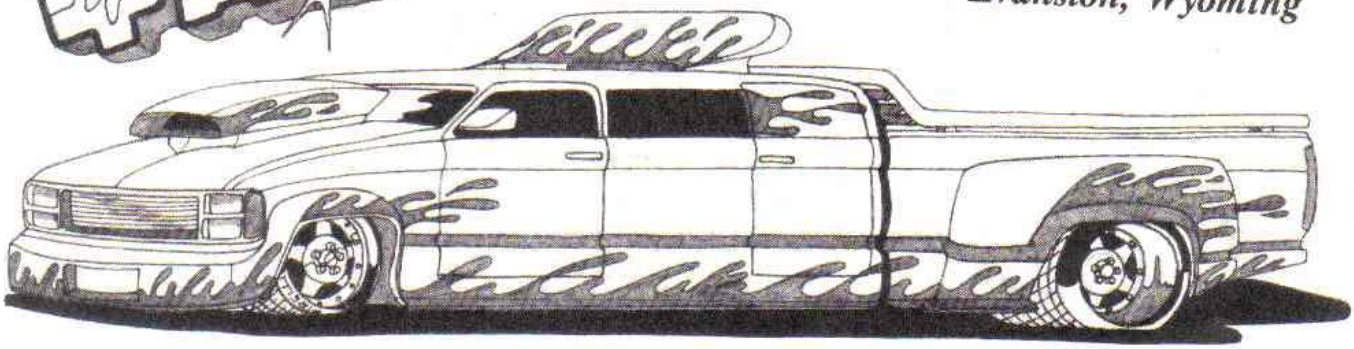



STEEP
GOING DOWN?
DUH!

MY WHEELS

MONEY MAKES

Robert Dunkle
Evanston, Wyoming

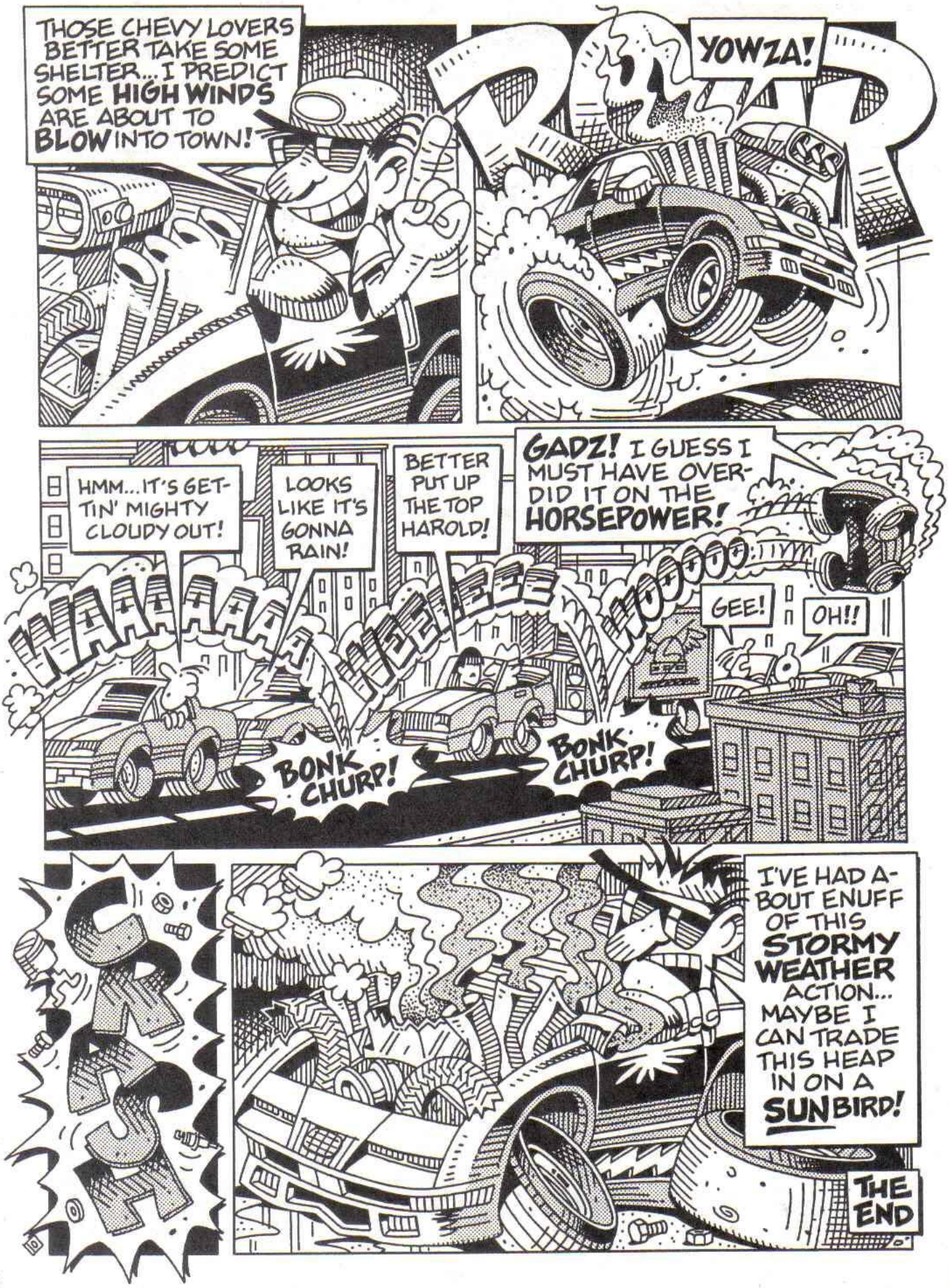


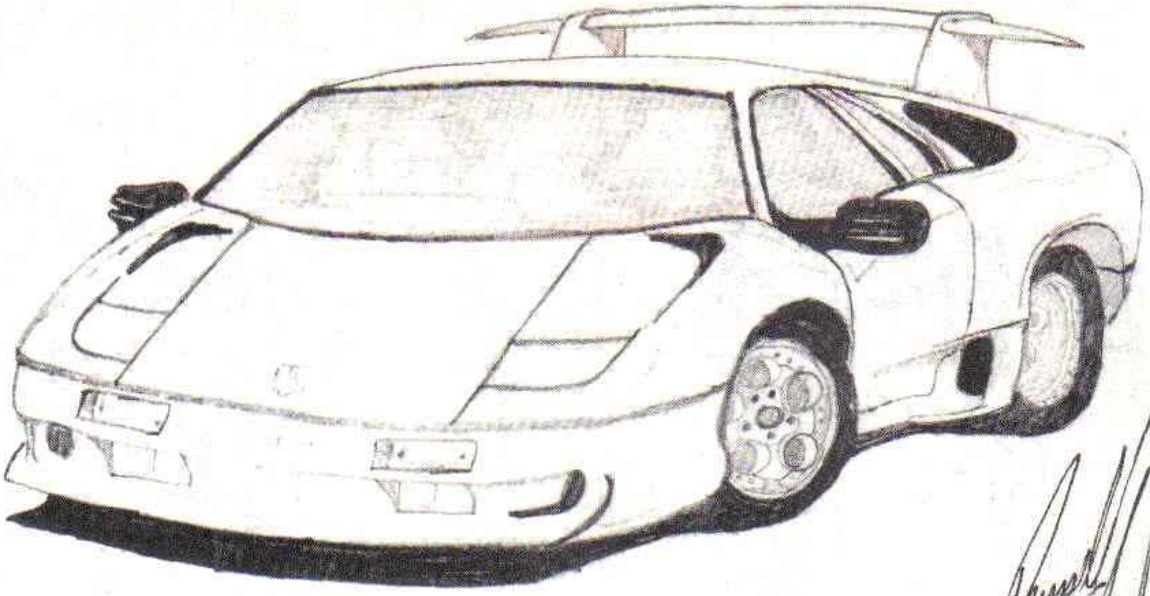
Fast-attack

Ivan Romero
Las Cruces, New Mexico

CAR SPELLS INC
MAGICAR
HONK! HONK!
ARE YOU A FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD WIZARD WHO BUILDS CHILLED MUSCLECARS FROM ROTTEN OLD JUNKERS?
OH... THAT'S ME.
WELL...I BETTER HAVE A PEEK...
HOW LONG TO TURN THIS WRECK INTO A POWERHOUSE?
ABOUT TEN MINUTES, MAX.
TEN MINUTES? YOU KIDDING?
BE RIGHT BACK.
WOT'LL IT BE... A DON EVANS MIRACLE? A TROSLEY INCANTATION? A KERRI TRIP?
GERM ALERT!
...AND A TRUSTY, GOOD ELLEFSON ENCHANTED SERIES A-1 PORSCHE DIPSTICK!
EVACUATE!
PRESTO SHMESTO!
SWOOSH!
HURRY!
RUMBLE...
OH.. NO!
PLIP!
POOM!
POOM!
POOM!
SLIMPIN' WENT WRONG... TSK ON SILLY ME.
READ HOT ROD MAGAZINE EVERY HOUR
WHERE'S MY CAR?
HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT GERM-SCALE MUSCLECARS?
!

RIDER ON THE STORM
©1991 PAT REA
SLEEP CHEAP
HOTEL
GET A REAL CAR MAN!! HAR! HAR!
IMPORT LOVER!
ZOOM
BEAT AGAIN!! MY NEW GEO STORM IS TURN-IN' OUT TO BE MORE LIKE A SPRINKLE!
PARTZ
I THINK IT'S TIME FOR SOME CREATIVE CUSTOMIZIN'!
ZIP
LIKE, LATER:
CAR CRAFT
YEAH! THIS BABY OUGHTA BE A REAL THUNDER STORM NOW!!
MADE IN JAPAN


THOSE CHEVY LOVERS BETTER TAKE SOME SHELTER... I PREDICT SOME HIGH WINDS ARE ABOUT TO BLOW INTO TOWN!
YOWZA!
HMM... IT'S GETTIN' MIGHTY CLOUDY OUT!
LOOKS LIKE IT'S GONNA RAIN!
BETTER PUT UP THE TOP HAROLD!
GADZ! I GUESS I MUST HAVE OVER-DID IT ON THE HORSEPOWER!
GEE!
OH!!
BONK CHURP!
BONK CHURP!
I'VE HAD A-BOUT ENUFF OF THIS STORMY WEATHER ACTION... MAYBE I CAN TRADE THIS HEAP IN ON A SUNBIRD!
THE END



Russell Stephanick
Northbattleford,Saskatchewan, Canada

MY WHEELS

Richie Cain
Revelstoke, B.C., Canada

MUSCLIN' IN

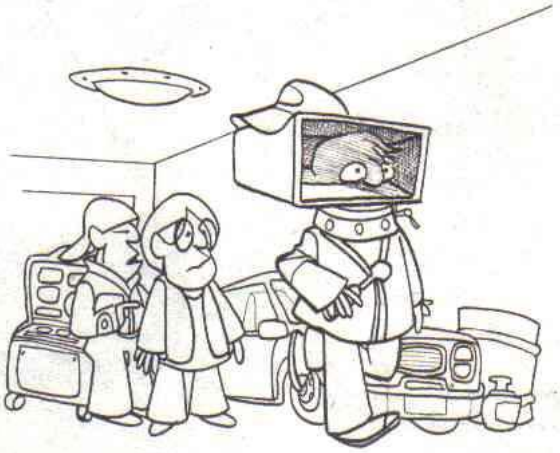
With KOHLER

"Stop FLEXING your dumb musclecar at us!"

"Vile language, Eldon, builds a CURSED car."

"I call it BACK-UP."

"Actually a generous supply of powerful flashlight batteries ARE INCLUDED with each vehicle, sir."



"If you think THAT'S weird – wait'll he starts making sick engine noises."

". . .but does it say monstercar LOUDER than it says musclecar?"
"Yeh, it's more MUSCULAR than most."

"Yer NOT an ornament so stay OFF the hood durin' runs!"

"Our shop pet tears down the really BIG mills."

"WHY are you people hiding my precision engine work under a stinkin' hood?"

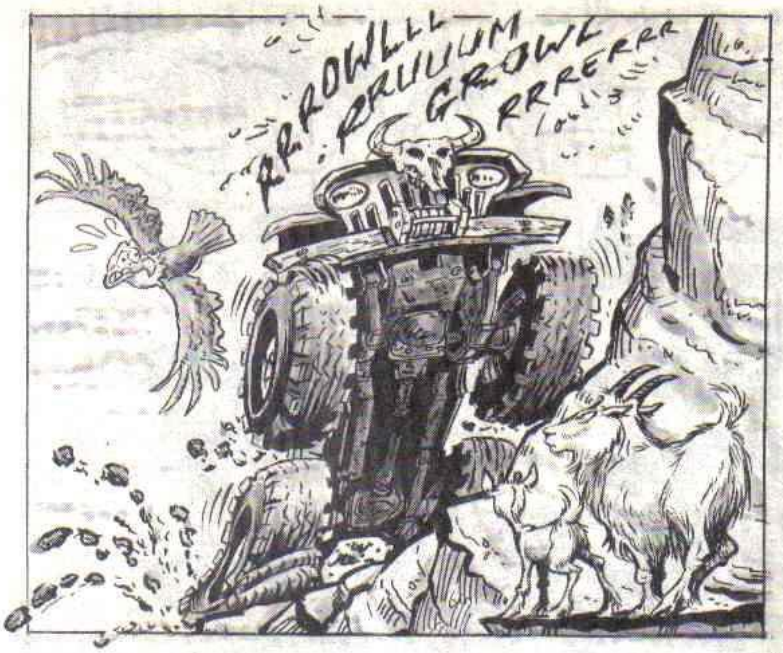
"Gonna turn a 90-lb weakling INTO a musclebrute."

"I CRAVED something totally DIFFERENT."

NOW THAT'S HEAVY
YO DUDE! WHAT'S WITH THE OLD ATV?
I JUST DROPPED A SMALL BLOCK CHEVY INTO THIS BAD BOY THAT'S WHAT!
WON'T THAT MAKE IT TOO HEAVY?!
WHO'S WORRIED ABOUT WEIGHT? THIS IS PURE POWER!
WOOOEEE! WATCH IT GO! GO! GO!
NOW FOR THE WATER!
YAHOOOO!
SPLOOSH!
I TOLD YOU IT WAS TOO HEAVY!
JOHN DEATON III

THE BAD (LAND) DREAMS OF KIT 'CACTUSPANTS' COLSON.

by SHAWN KERRI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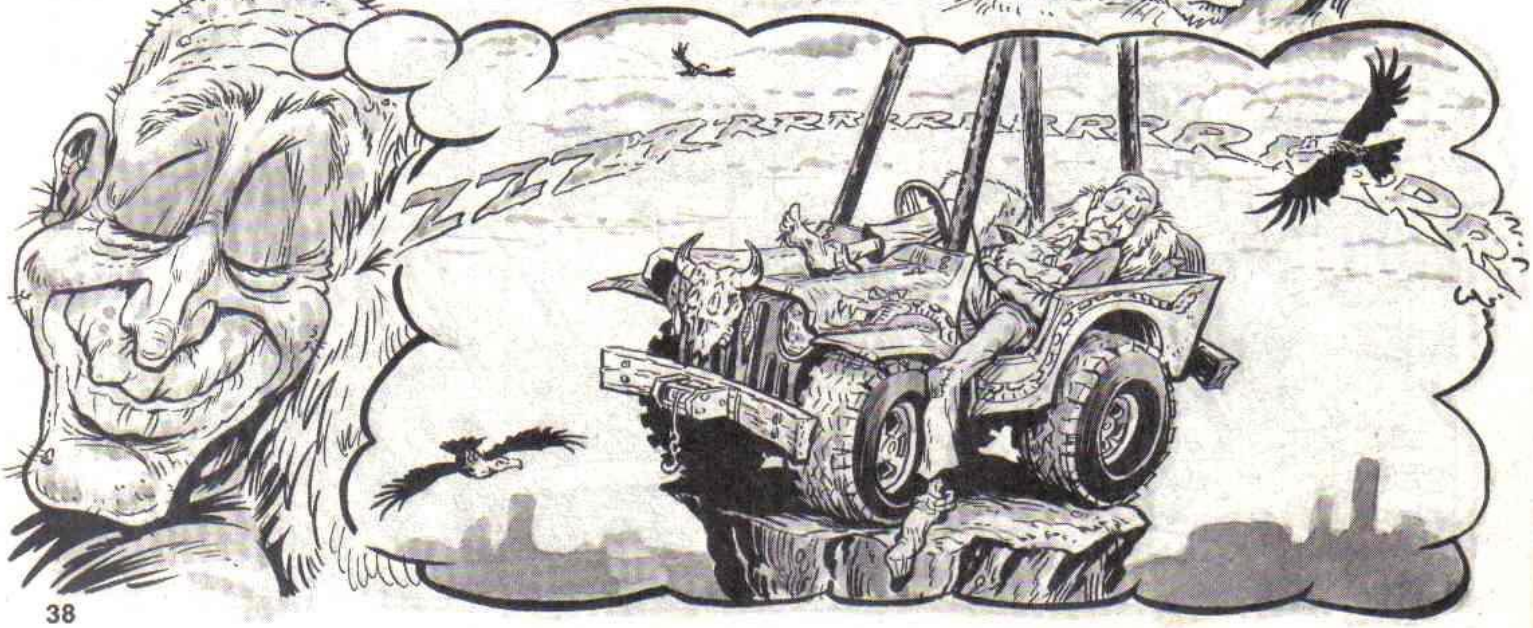
RRUUUM
GROWL
RRRERR

ERRT!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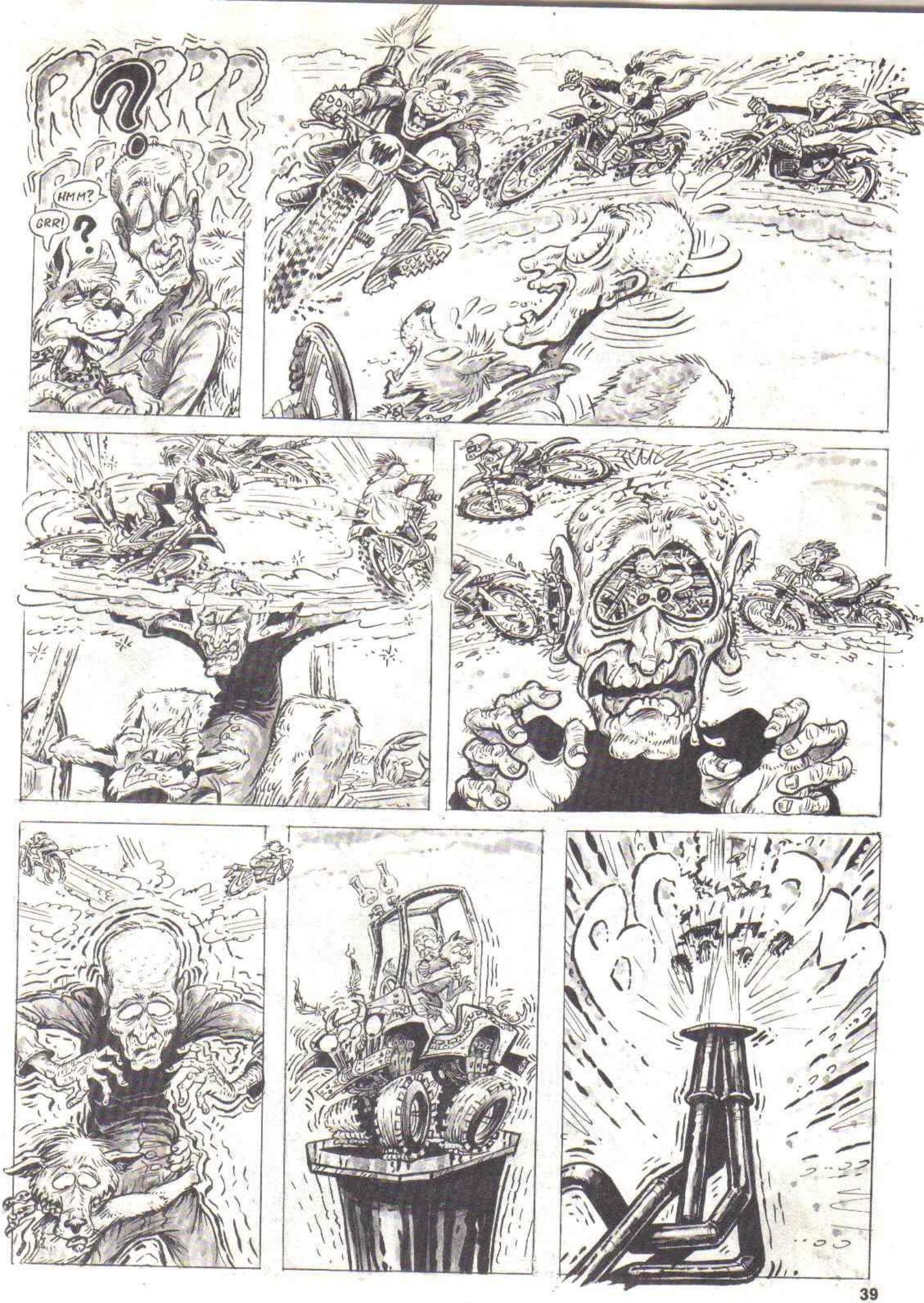
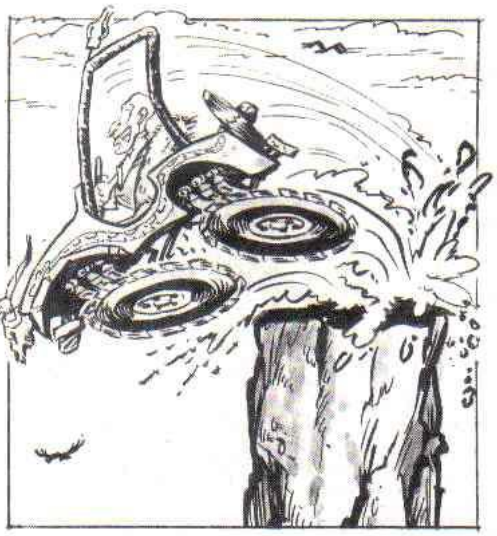
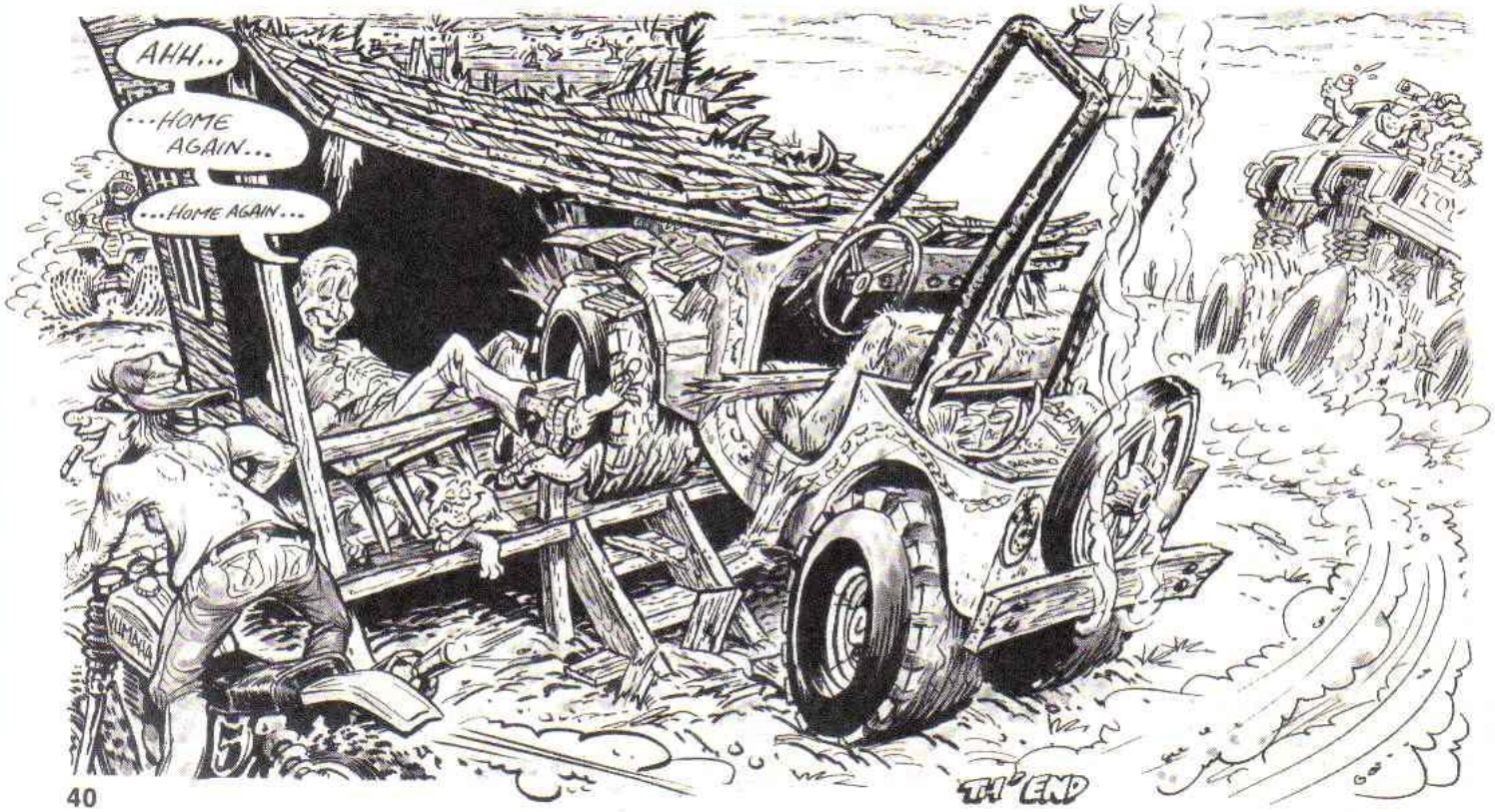

HMM?
GRR!

BOOF!
HO-LEE HEE-LAH MONSTUR!



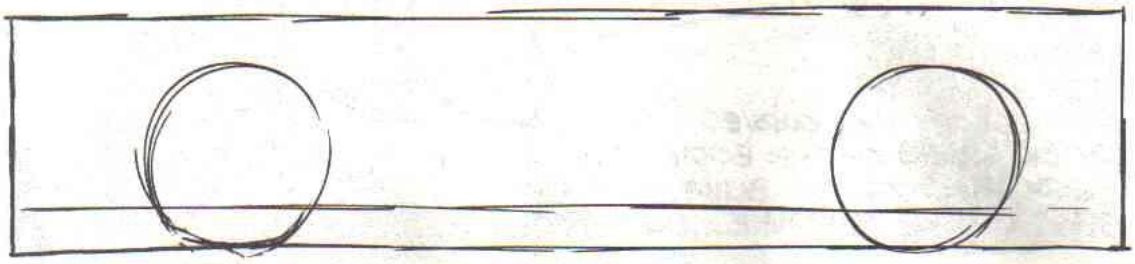
BEAT IT!
KEEP OUT
GET OUT


AHH...
...HOME AGAIN...
...HOME AGAIN...
THE END

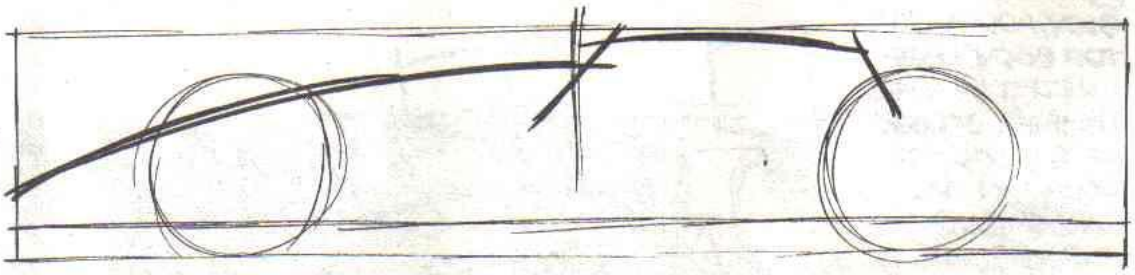
HOW TO DRAW: INDY CARS

Bosley

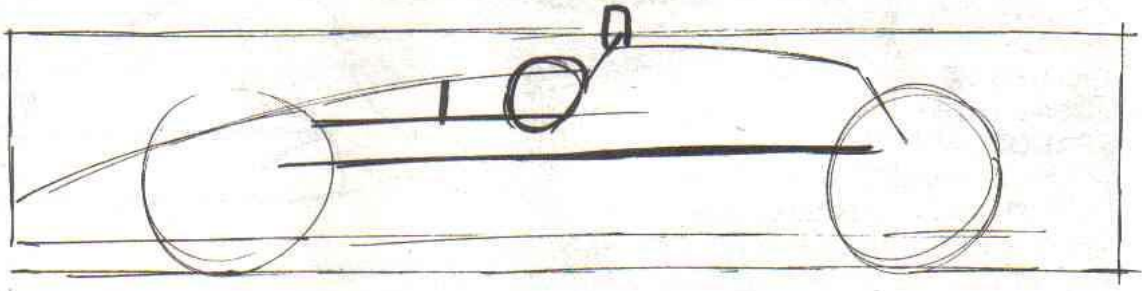
EVERYONE LOVES THE **INDY 500** AND THE CARS ARE ALOT OF **FUN** TO **DRAW!** START ONE WITH THE **BOX** I'VE GOT HERE. POSITION THE **WHEELS** AS SHOWN THEN ROUGH IN A **BOTTOM LINE.**



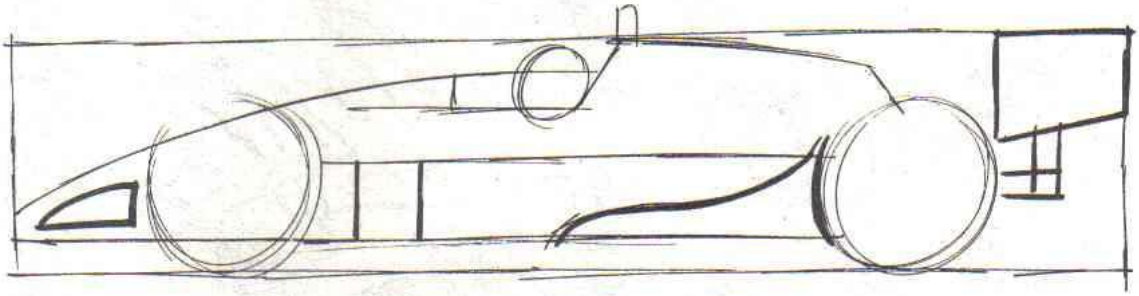
LOOSELY **COPY** THE **BODY LINE** NOTICING IT **CUTS** THROUGH THE **FRONT WHEEL** TO THE MID-POINT, **BUMPS UP** AND **BACK** CUTTING **DOWN** INTO THE **REAR WHEEL.**



DIVIDE THE BODY IN **HALF** THEN IN **HALF** AGAIN TO **CARVE** OUT THE **COCKPIT** AREA. ROUGH IN A **DRIVER** AND INDICATE A **ROLL BAR.**

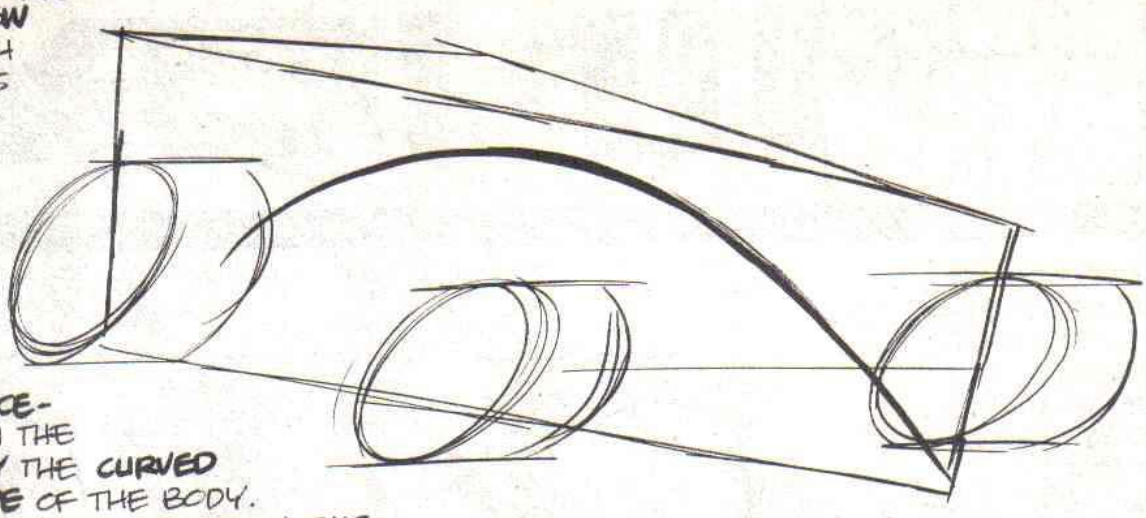


THE **LOWER PART** OF THE BODY GETS **SCOOP** AND **REAR WHEEL SPOILER, BIG SPOILER** OUT BACK AND **SMALL SPOILER** UP FRONT.

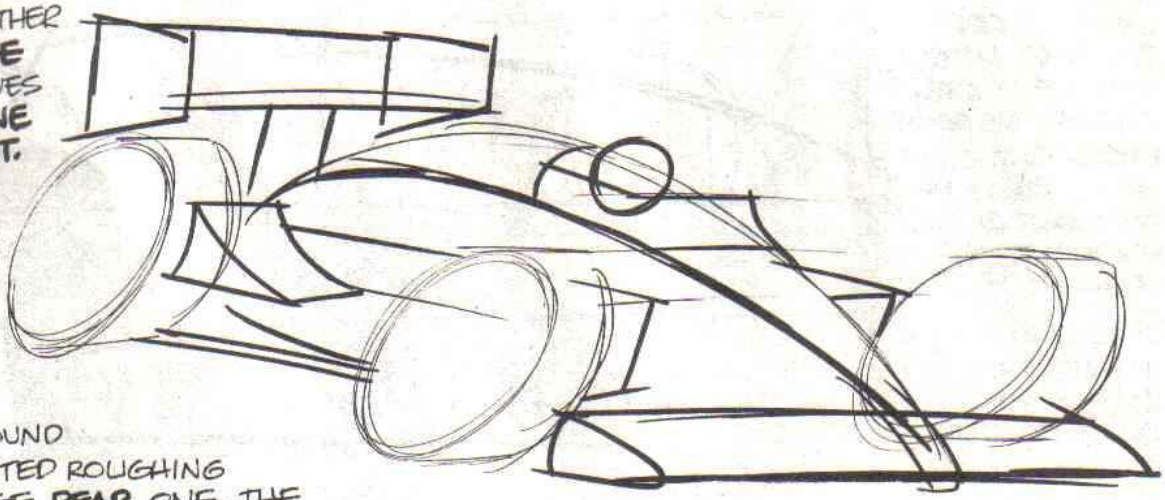


MORE **DETAIL** TO THE **WHEELS** AND YOUR FAVORITE **LOGO/GRAPHICS** HELP GET IT READY FOR **INKING** WITH A **FELT TIP** OR **BALL POINT PEN** DO THE TRICK!

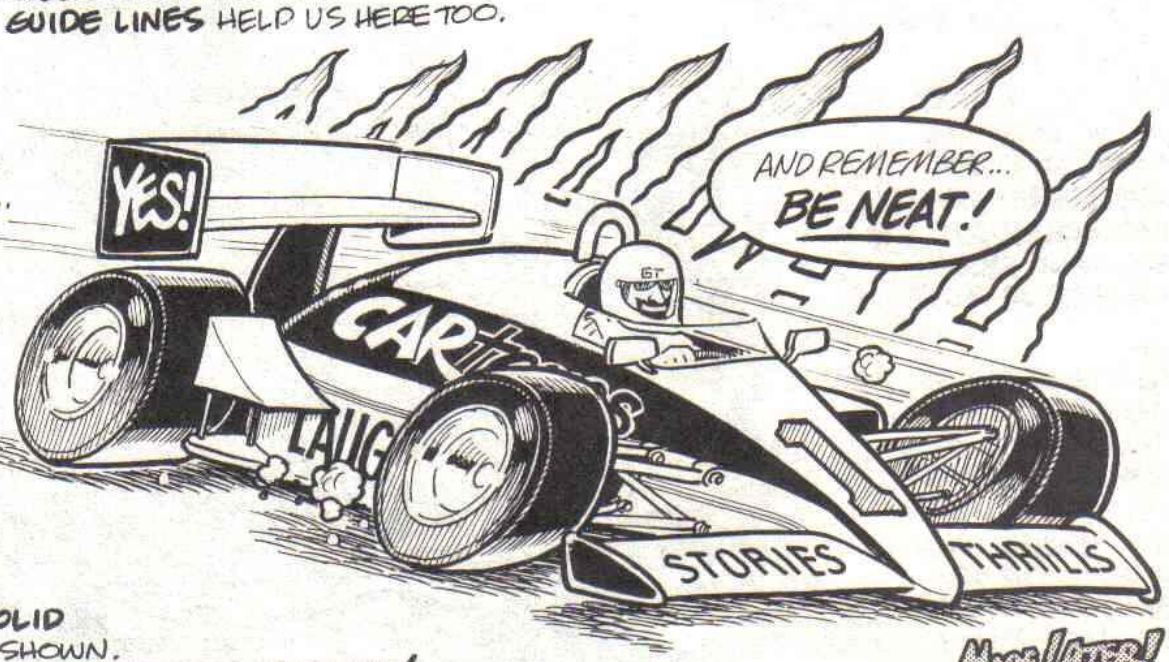
LET'S TRY A **THREE QUARTER VIEW** STARTING WITH A **WEDGE** THIS TIME USING **GUIDE LINES** TO ROUGH IN SOME **WIDE TIRES** BEING CAREFUL TO GET THE **PROPER PLACEMENT.** WITHIN THE WEDGE, **COPY** THE **CURVED OUTER SHAPE** OF THE BODY. **EVERYTHING** WILL BE **BUILT** ON **THIS STEP** SO **TAKE YOUR TIME... DO IT RIGHT!**



STICKING WITH THE **BODY,** ADD ANOTHER **TOP BODY LINE** WHICH THEN GIVES US THE **OUTLINE** OF THE **COCKPIT.** ROUGH IN THE **WINDSHIELD** AND A **HELMET.** DROP DOWN TO THE SIDES BOXING IN THE **SCOOP** AREAS. **AIR SPOILERS** ABOUND SO GET STARTED ROUGHING IN THE LARGE **REAR** ONE, THE REAR WHEEL **WEDGE** AND THE FULL **FRONT** ONE. **GUIDE LINES** HELP US HERE TOO.



OKAY... TIME TO **LETTER** SOME **STUFF** ON THE SIDE... ADD SOME DETAIL TO THOSE **TIRES** AND **SUSPENSION BARS** AND YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF AN ***INDY RACER!*** CAREFULLY **INK** IT ALL IN USING **SOLID BLACKS** AS SHOWN. GENTLEMEN... ***START YOUR ENGINES!***



MORE LATER!

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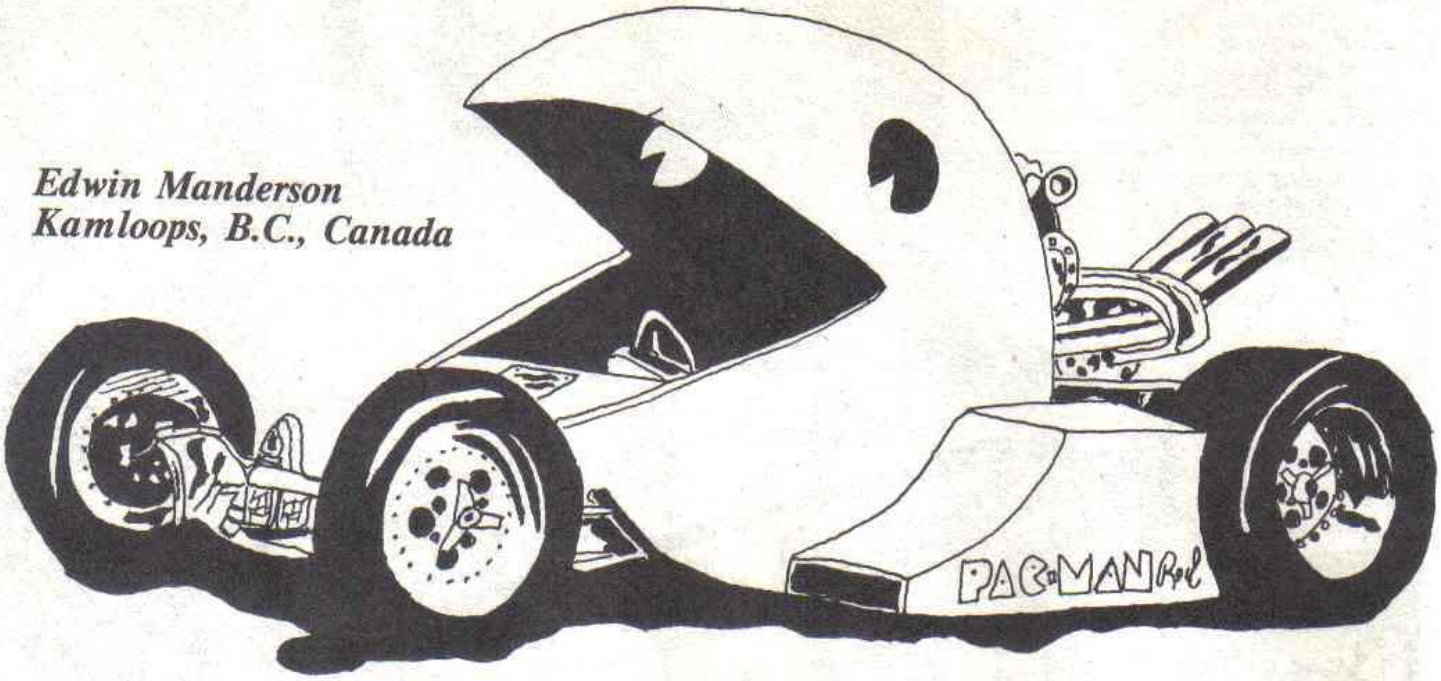

MY WHEELS

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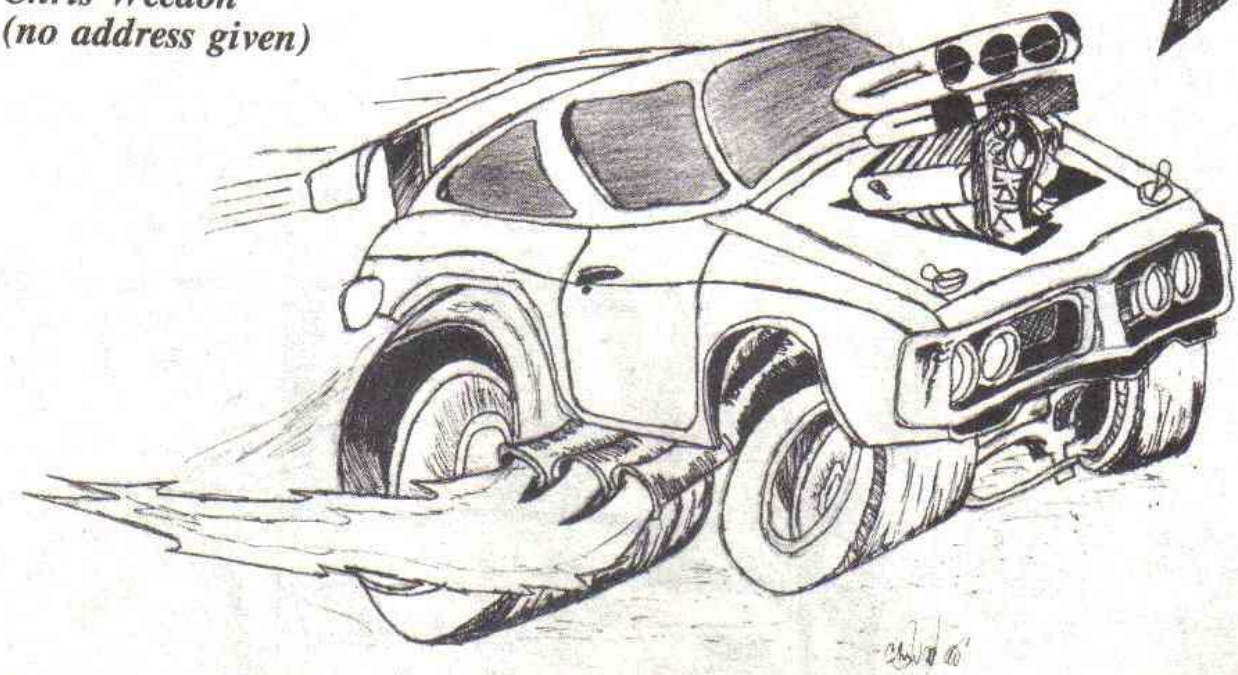

CONSISTANTLY STARVING FOR ADVENTURE, **CORA VETTE** AND **PRETTY RACI** CONTEMPLATE PAYING A VISIT TO THEIR MYSTERIOUS NEW NEIGHBOR ATOP YONDER PROMINENCE.

BANG! GO! BONK! KER-CLANG! BANG!

WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE GOES ON UP IN THAT **GARAGE** ??

WHATTA TEASE.

I HEAR IT'S SOME MYSTERY **MECHANIC** WORKING ON A FABULOUS FRESH STREET MACHINE.

PEACE SELLS, BUT WHO'S BUYIN'?

LITTLE RED WELCOME WAGON

GOOD YEAR?

GULF DODGE DEALERS

SHOOT S.H.

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IN THE WORDS OF DICK MANATOBA*... "I LIVE **FOR CARS AN' GIRLS!**" ENJOY THESE THREE PAGES, BUT **DON'T** TAKE TOO SERIOUSLY...

PATRIOT

CORA VETTE & PRETTY RACI in: "Welcome Wagon Girls"

APOLOGIES TO BILL "MAVERICK" GOLDEN

DIRTY FINGERNAILS, **GREASY** OVERALLS, BANGING AWAY INTO THE WEE HOURS... IT'S SOOOO **ROMANTIC**, CORA!

POSING AS COMMUNITY **WELCOME WAGON GIRLS**... GREAT IDEA!

THIS WAY WE CAN MEET HIM **FACE** TO **FACE** AND SEE **WHAT** HE'S WORKING ON.

WELCOME WAGON

WAGON

PODIUM POWER

DODGE'EM

HOT ROD MAGAZINE | CAR CRAFT | SCUD BUSTER

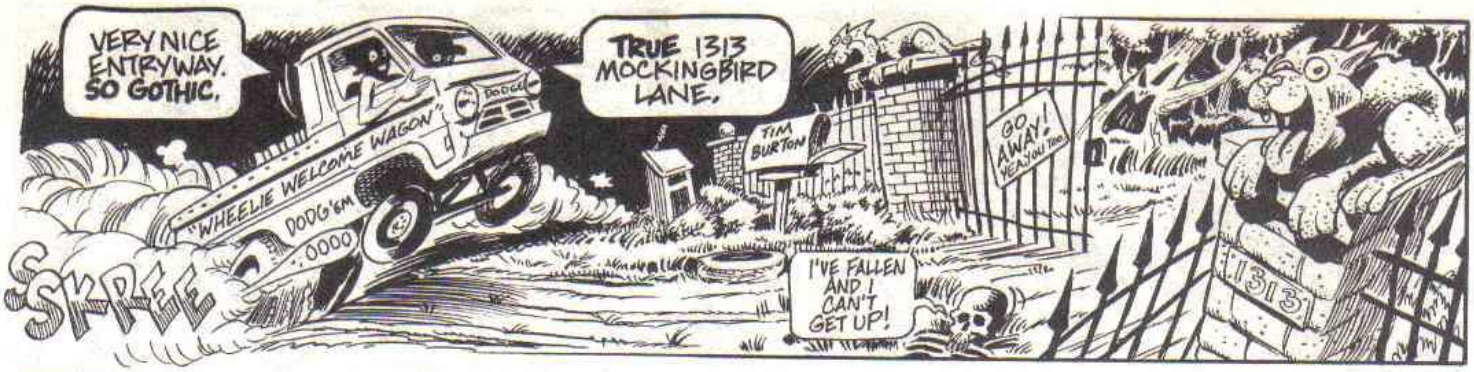
BANG! BONK! BOING! BANG!

I'LL BET HE'S **CUTE**!

LET'S GET A MOVE ON.

WAAAA

44 * LEAD VOCALS: MANATOBAS WILD KINGDOM, MCA RECORDS, ... AND YOU? © 1990


VERY NICE ENTRYWAY. SO GOTHIC.
"WHEELIE WELCOME WAGON"
DODGE
DODG'EM
TRUE 1313 MOCKINGBIRD LANE.
TIM BURTON
GO AWAY! YEA, YOU TOO
I'VE FALLEN AND I CAN'T GET UP!
1313
SKREE

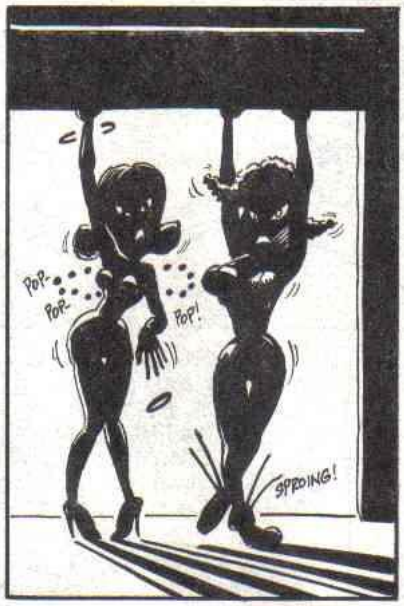
WHAT TYPE OF MAN STAYS UP ALL NIGHT... WORKING ON HIS CAR? THAT'S ALL HE DOES? NO SOCIAL LIFE?
HE'S NEW IN TOWN AND JUST HASN'T MET THE RIGHT PEOPLE YET... US!
WAGON

MAYBE HE'S JUST AN AUTOMOTIVE GENIUS COMMITED TO ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE.
YEA, BUT I THINK THERE'S MORE TO HIM. RUMOR HAS IT...

...THAT HE'S SOME KIND OF MECHANICAL WIZARD WITH QUITE A SENSE OF HUMOR, PRETTY.
BTL-JUCE
MUMPH. MUMPH.
WHEN THE SKIN IS THIN THE HEART SHOWS THROUGH

CORA; I HEARD HE'S MORE THE STRONG HEROIC LAWFUL TYPE SOULY COMMITTED TO HIS PEACE MACHINE.
OPEN UP, DARN-IT!
BLAM BLAM BLAM
PING!
PONK!

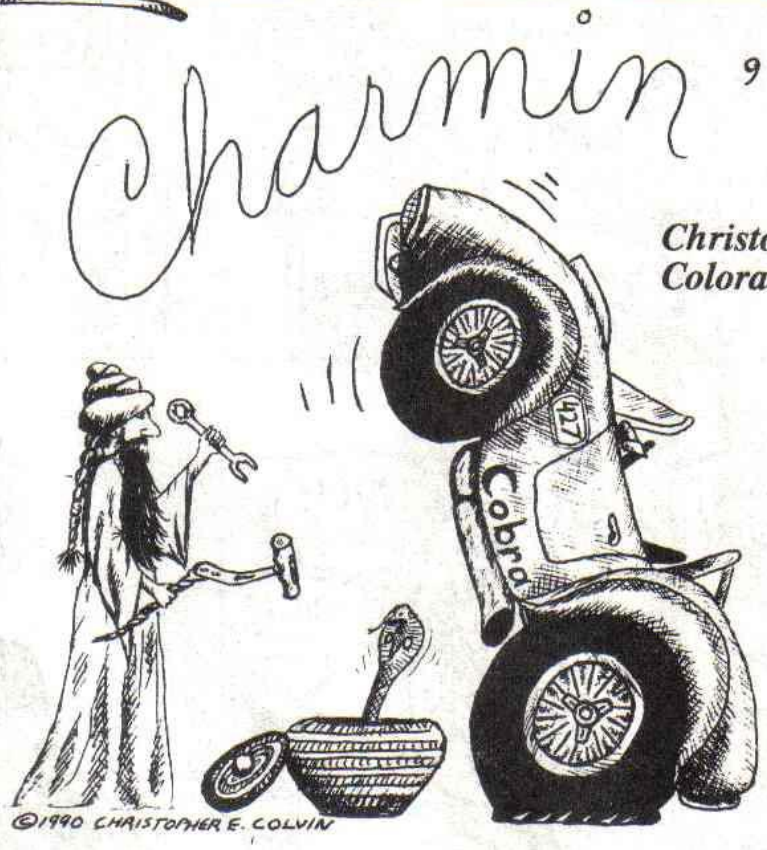
I'VE GOT A HUNCH HE'S SOMEONE VERY UNIQUE WHO REPAIRS CARS USING ONLY WHAT'S ON HAND.
OOOOO, DREAMY.
I THINK.
BOINK!
ED
CLICK-CLICK!
WHIR-WHIR!
CLAK-BING!



 YOUNG BOY CHARACTER © HIS CREATOR

BUMMER
YOU A TREE?
YUP.
STAND UP TO HIM. BE FIRM!
FACE HIM WITH ALL THE FACTS.
RIGHT!
OH-OH! TROUBLE!
TELL'M WE ALREADY GAVE TO A FOREIGN LEGION!
THIS WALL FOR LEASE.
STEP UP!
DON'T TAKE "NO" FOR AN ANSWER.
I WON'T.
DING DONG!
GO! GO! GO!
CAR CRAF SINGS SPEED SONGS
YOU AGAIN? NOW WOT'RE YA AFTER?
ONLY WOT WE GOT RIGHTFULLY COMIN' TO US.
DOIN' JES FINE, BRO.
THE MILL THAT'S NOT IN THE 1/4 SCALE MODEL MUSCLE-VAN YOU SOLD US! WE WANT A MILL!
SUCH AS?
MILL?
EASY.
READ HOT ROD MAGAZINE WITH BOTH EYES
MILL LIKE IN ENGINE?
YEH, ENGINE.
OOPS!
WATCH IT, BRO.
SWOOP!
OKAY... I'LL SEE WOT CAN BE DONE!
WHERE'S HE TAKING OUR BRO?
DUNNO... BUT I CAN SMELL TRAGEDY.
THERE'S YER INJUN!
I TRIED, BROS.
WE COULD INSTALL R/C... OR GET A NICE WIND-UP KEY ... OR SAILS... OR WINCHES...
NO PARKING
Y'MEAN, YER QUITTING?
WOTTA ROTTEN RESIDENT.
IN
OUT
KOL KOOLER

MY WHEELS



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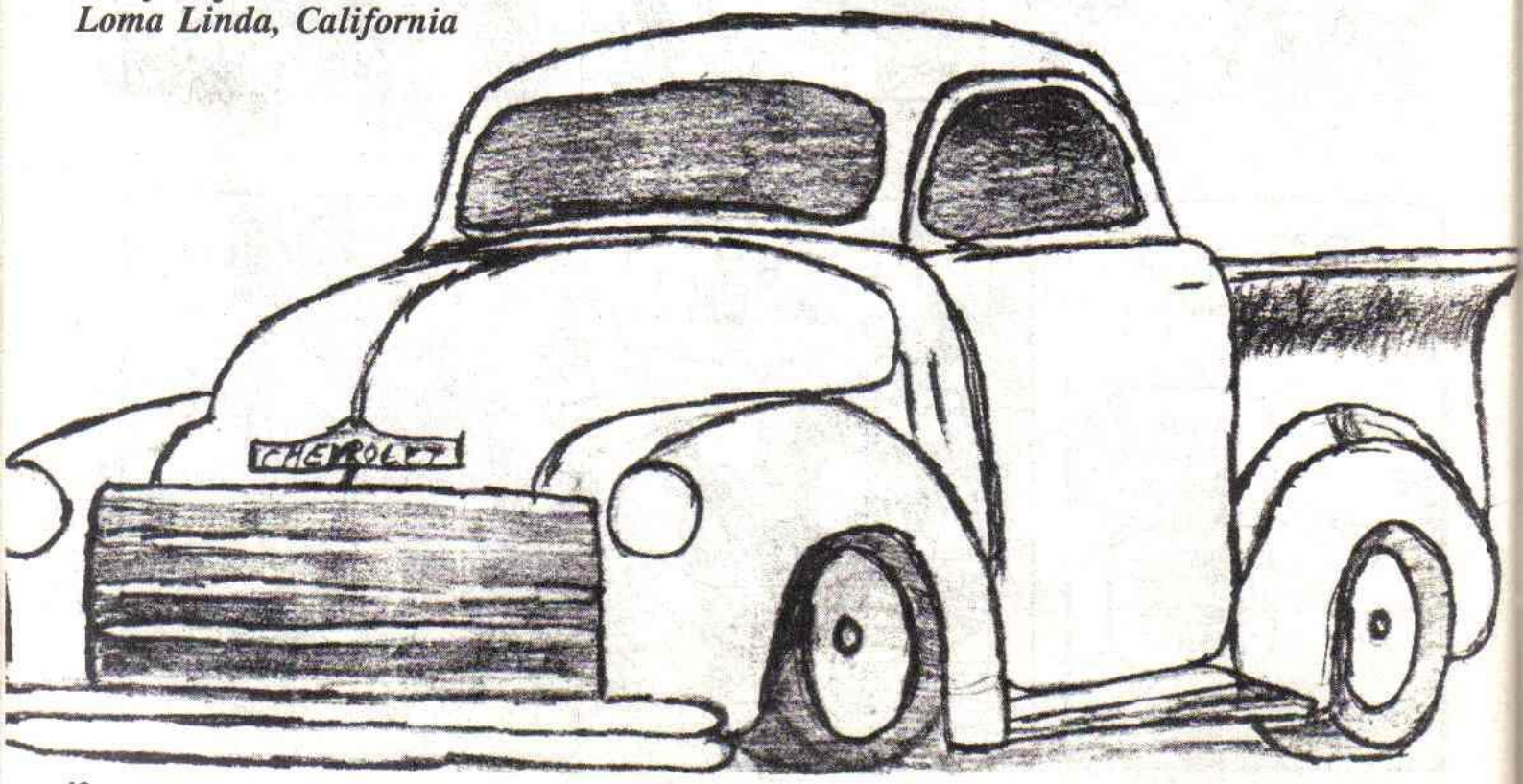

KRASS & BERNIE

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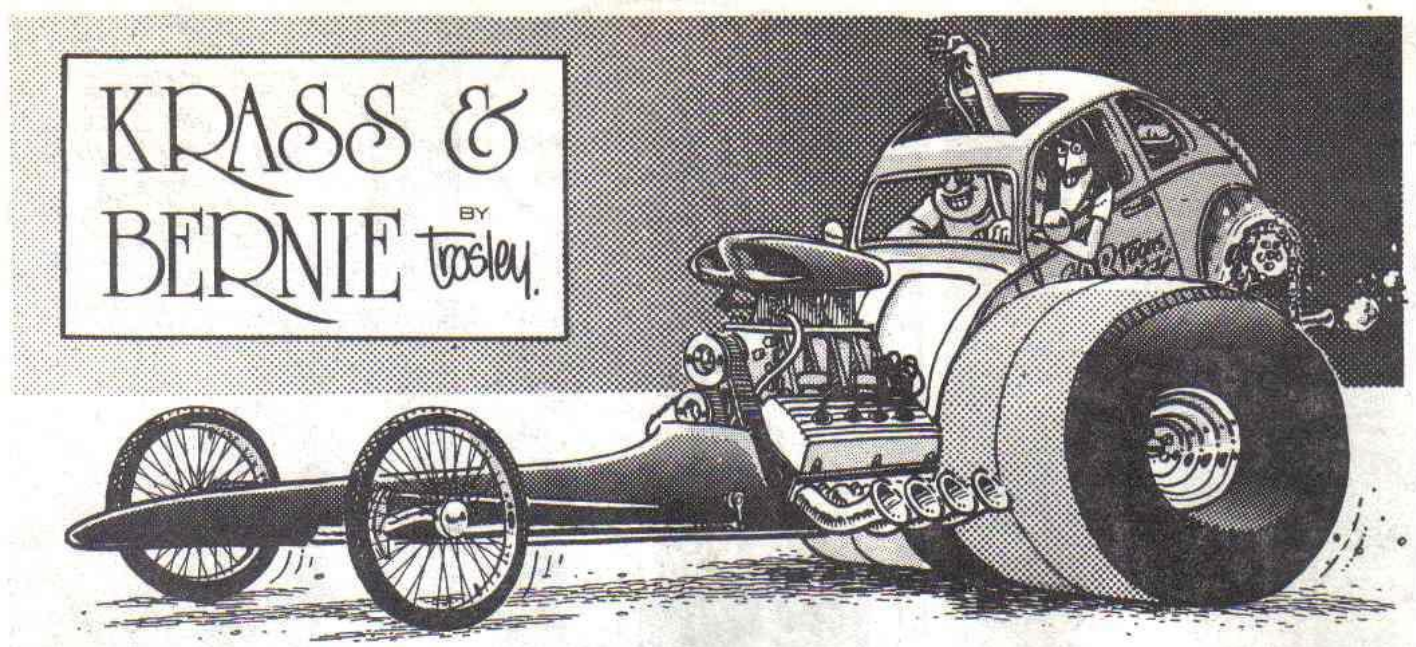
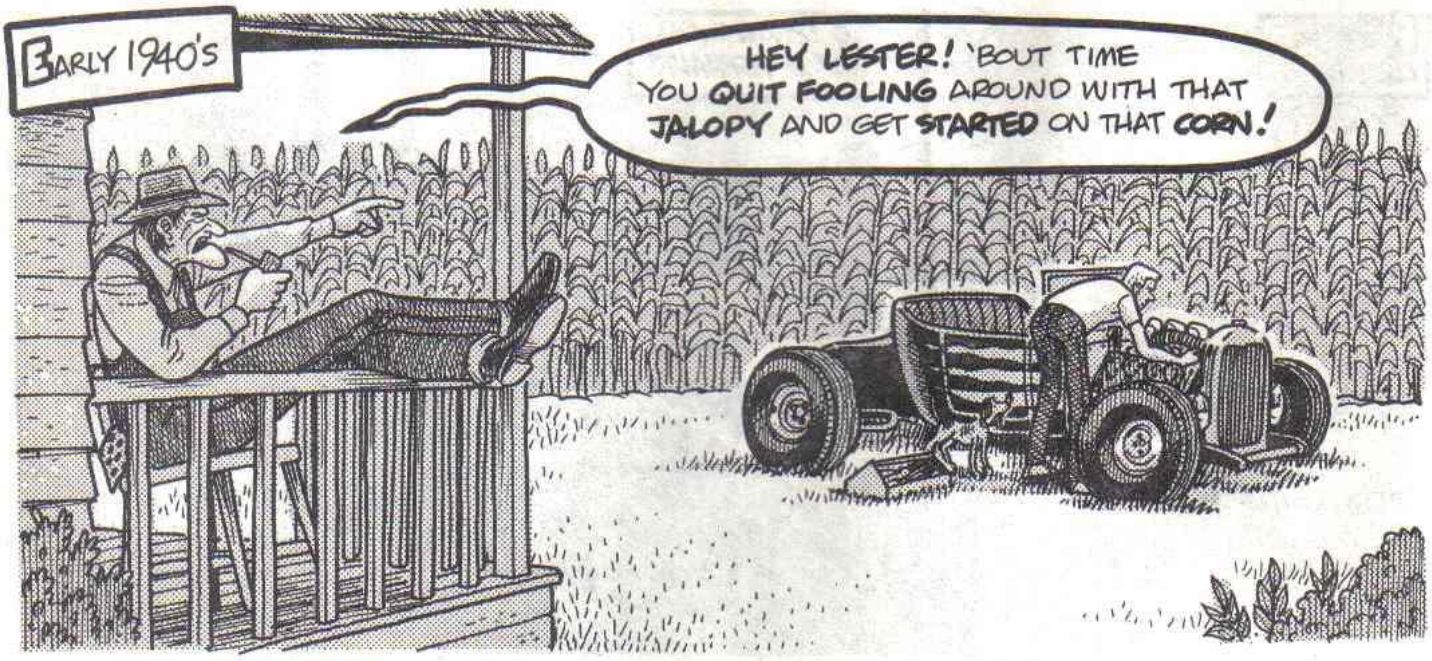
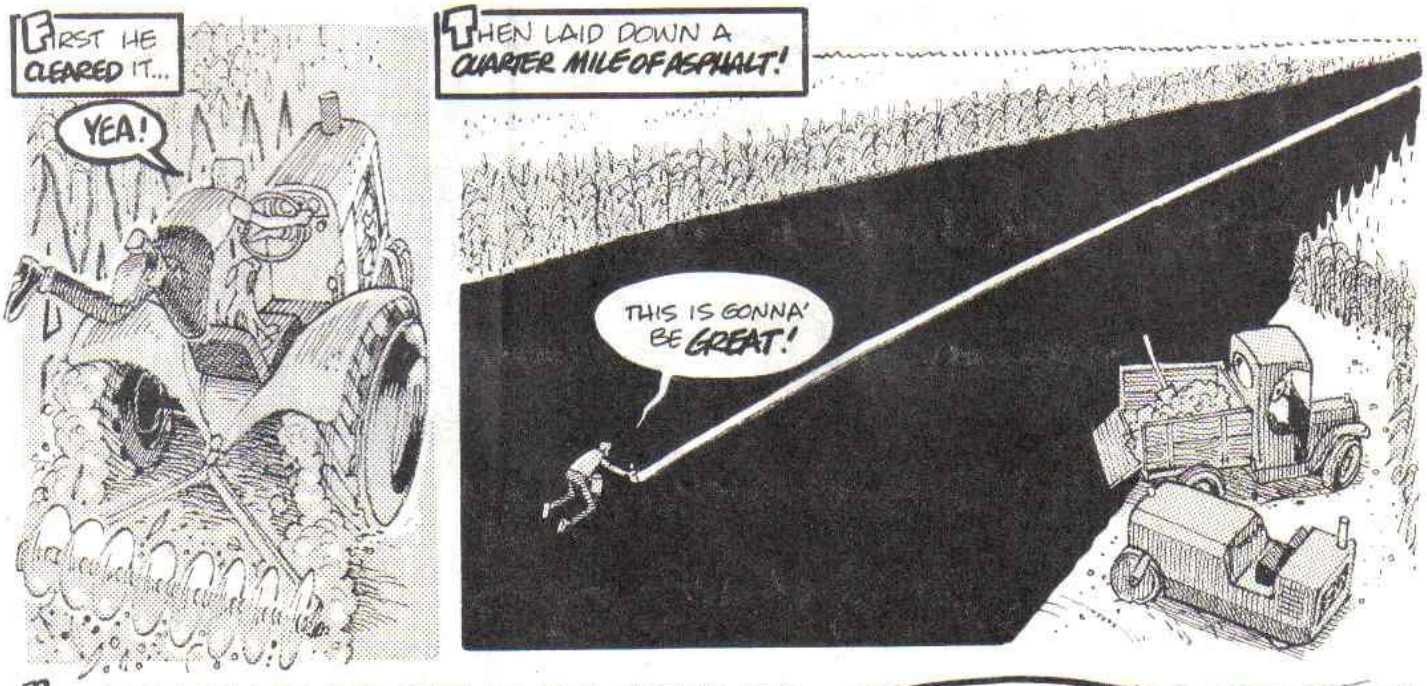
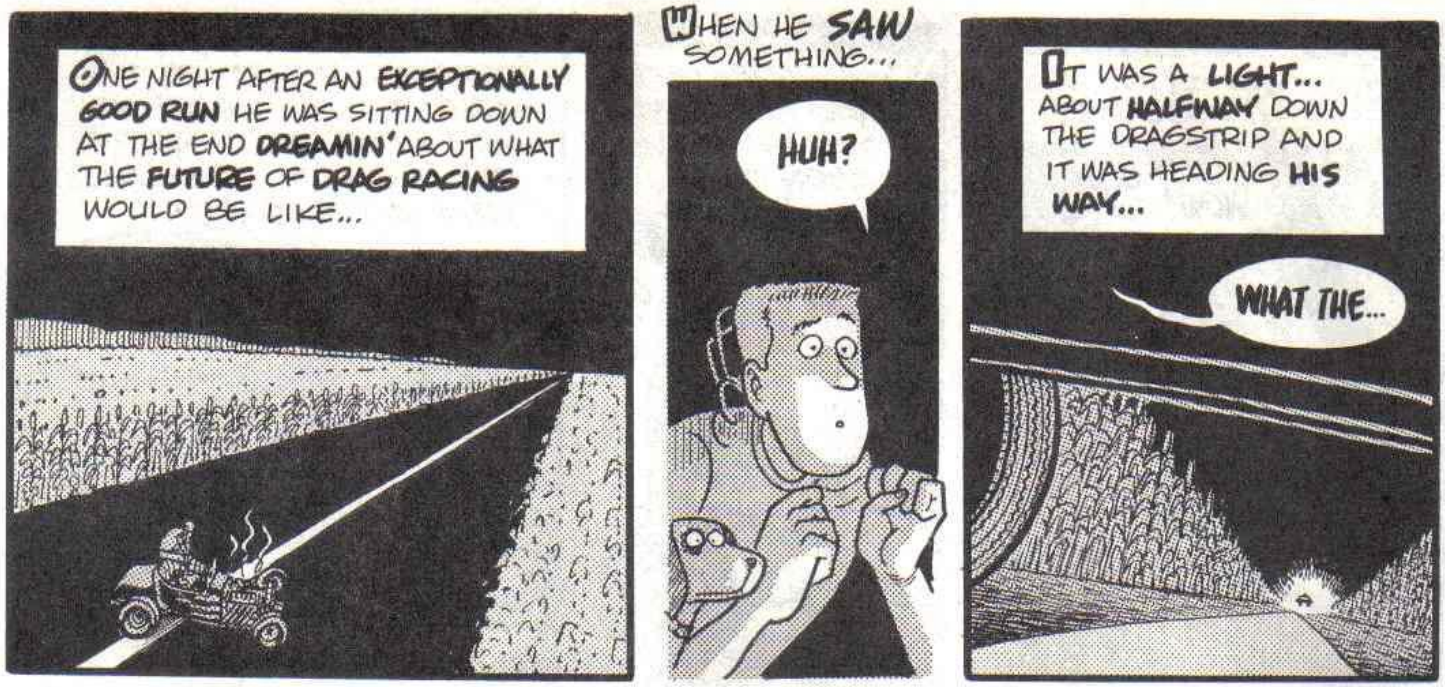




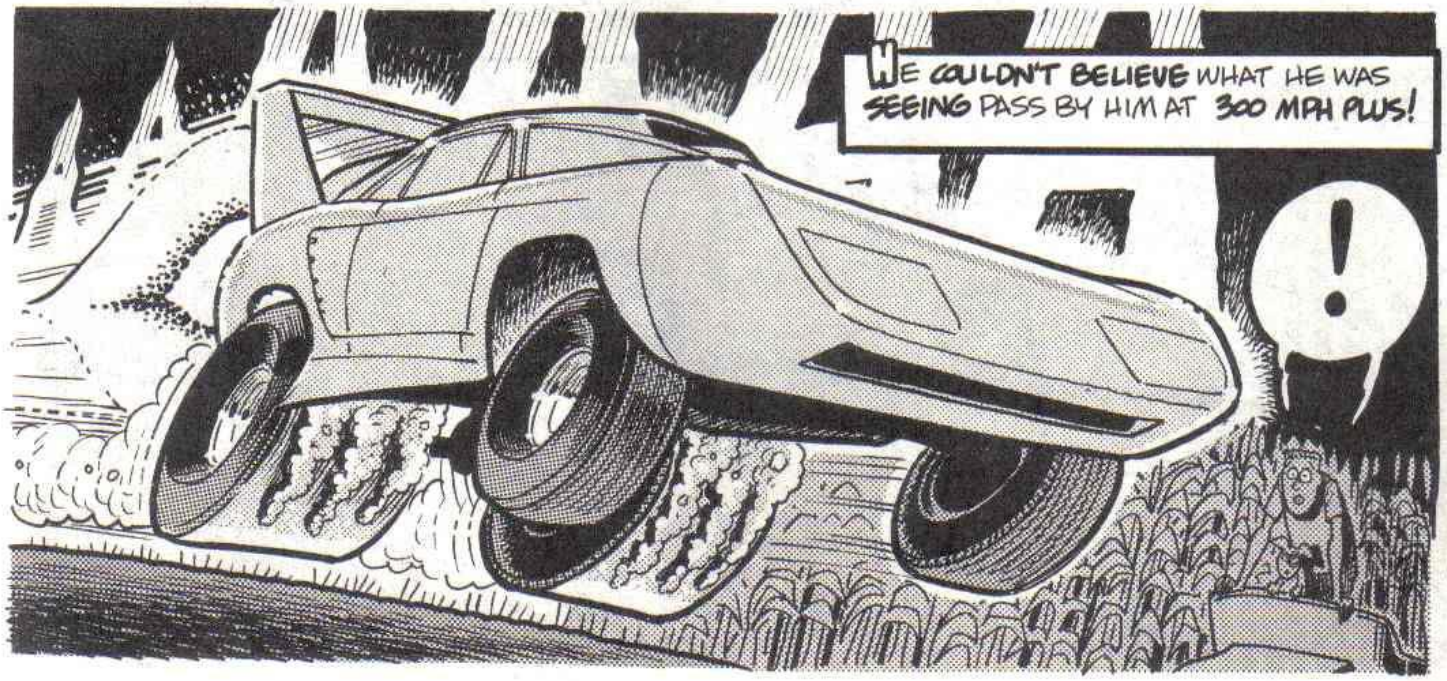
GOT TO BE A BETTER WAY TO USE ALL THIS LAND...
CHUG CHUG
HEYY... LOOK AT THIS! OUT WEST THEY'RE BUILDING SPECIAL ONE QUARTER MILE LONG RACE TRACKS!
CHUG CHUG CHUG
DRAGSTRIPS! WHY, I BET I COULD... I WILL! I'LL BUILD MYSELF A DRAGSTRIP!


FIRST HE CLEARED IT...
YEA!
THEN LAID DOWN A QUARTER MILE OF ASPHALT!
THIS IS GONNA' BE GREAT!

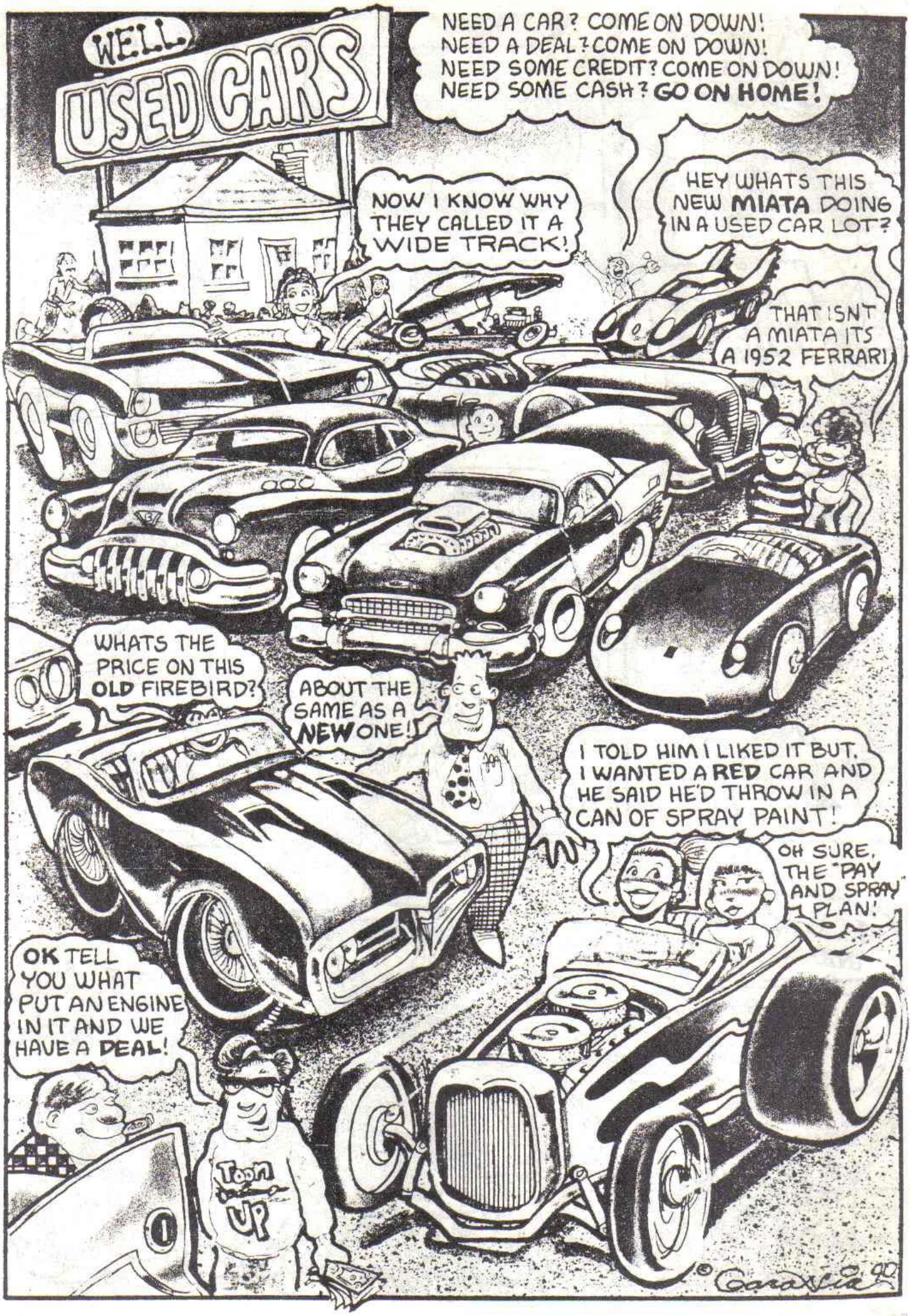
HIDDEN BY THE CORN, HE'D RACE ALL DAY WHEN HE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE TENDING THE CORN... SOON HE WAS TURNING 70 TO 80 MPH IN THE QUARTER!
SOUNDS LIKE THAT BOY'S WORKIN' REAL HARD TODAY!

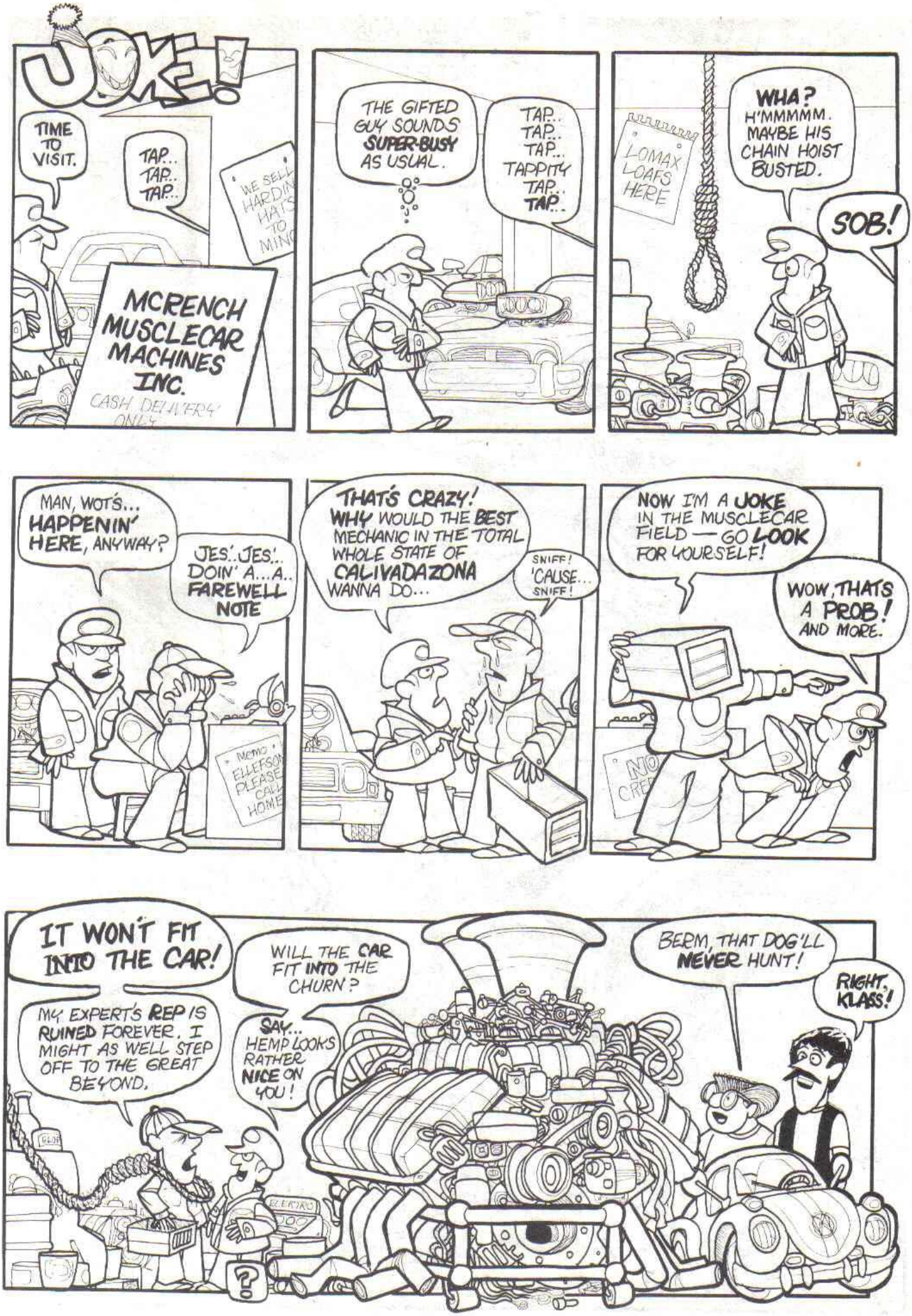

ONE NIGHT AFTER AN EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD RUN HE WAS SITTING DOWN AT THE END DREAMIN' ABOUT WHAT THE FUTURE OF DRAG RACING WOULD BE LIKE...
WHEN HE SAW SOMETHING...
HUH?
IT WAS A LIGHT... ABOUT HALFWAY DOWN THE DRAGSTRIP AND IT WAS HEADING HIS WAY...
WHAT THE...

IT SEEMED TO BE COMING AT AN ALARMING RATE OF SPEED!
HE SCRAMBLED BEHIND THE WHEEL OF HIS ROD...
C'MON START!
EERRRRR
VAROOO
GOT IT STARTED AND OFF THE DRAGSTRIP!


HE COULDN'T BELIEVE WHAT HE WAS SEEING PASS BY HIM AT 300 MPH PLUS!
!

AND AS QUICKLY AS IT HAD COME... IT WAS GONE!
WOW!
BOW WOW!
POOF!
THE FUTURE OF DRAG RACING... AND HE HAD SEEN IT!
FROM THAT MOMENT ON HE PUT EVERYTHING HE HAD INTO THAT STRIP MAKING IT ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL DRAGSTRIPS OF HIS DAY... TO THIS DAY... THIS VERY DAY!
LOOK! DOWN ON THE STRIP!
SOMETHING'S HAPPENING!
KEE RAK!
THE MUSCLE JET!
YEA!
THEY'RE BACK!
THEY'VE REAPPEARED!
POP!
WHAT HAPPENED?!
WHERE'D YOU GO?!
I DUNNO'...
ALL I REMEMBER IS CORN! CORN! CORN!
WOW! WE'VE WAITED A LONG TIME FOR THIS 'EH BOY?
BOW WOW!
LESTER JONES
HOT-1
MORE SOON!


WELL USED CARS
NEED A CAR? COME ON DOWN! NEED A DEAL? COME ON DOWN! NEED SOME CREDIT? COME ON DOWN! NEED SOME CASH? GO ON HOME!
NOW I KNOW WHY THEY CALLED IT A WIDE TRACK!
HEY WHATS THIS NEW MIATA DOING IN A USED CAR LOT?
THAT ISNT A MIATA ITS A 1952 FERRARI
WHATS THE PRICE ON THIS OLD FIREBIRD?
ABOUT THE SAME AS A NEW ONE!
I TOLD HIM I LIKED IT BUT, I WANTED A RED CAR AND HE SAID HE'D THROW IN A CAN OF SPRAY PAINT!
OH SURE, THE "PAY AND SPRAY" PLAN!
OK TELL YOU WHAT PUT AN ENGINE IN IT AND WE HAVE A DEAL!
Toon Up
Garavia 90


JOKE!
TIME TO VISIT.
TAP... TAP.. TAP..
WE SELL HARDIN HATS TO MINC
MCRENCH MUSCLECAR MACHINES INC.
CASH DELIVERY ONLY
THE GIFTED GUY SOUNDS SUPER-BUSY AS USUAL.
TAP.. TAP.. TAP... TAPPITY TAP... TAP...
LOMAX LOAFS HERE
WHA? H'MMMMM. MAYBE HIS CHAIN HOIST BUSTED.
SOB!
MAN, WOT'S... HAPPENIN' HERE, ANYWAY?
JES'..JES'.. DOIN' A...A.. FAREWELL NOTE
MEMO: ELLEFSON PLEASE CALL HOME
THAT'S CRAZY! WHY WOULD THE BEST MECHANIC IN THE TOTAL WHOLE STATE OF CALIVADAZONA WANNA DO...
SNIFF! 'CAUSE... SNIFF!
NOW I'M A JOKE IN THE MUSCLECAR FIELD — GO LOOK FOR YOURSELF!
WOW, THAT'S A PROB! AND MORE.
IT WON'T FIT INTO THE CAR!
MY EXPERT'S REP IS RUINED FOREVER. I MIGHT AS WELL STEP OFF TO THE GREAT BEYOND.
WILL THE CAR FIT INTO THE CHURN?
SAY... HEMP LOOKS RATHER NICE ON YOU!
BERM, THAT DOG'LL NEVER HUNT!
RIGHT, KLASS!

MUSCLECAR TERMINOLOGY

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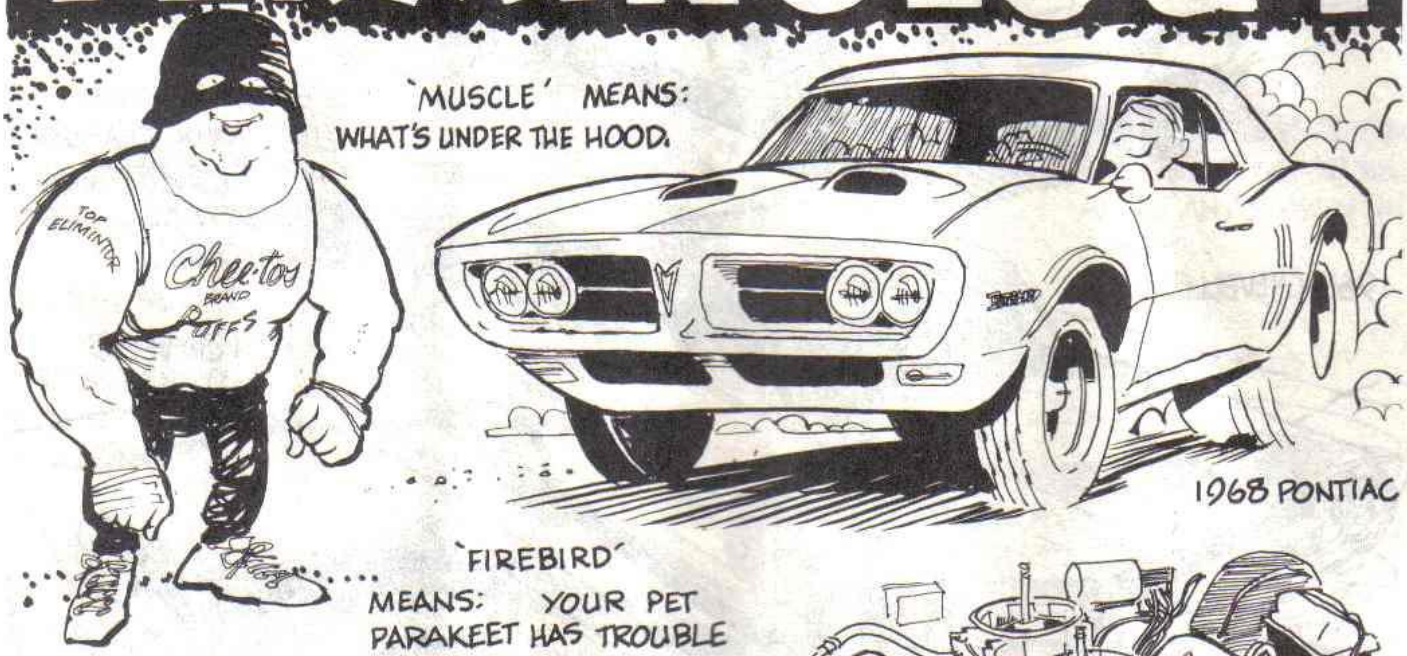
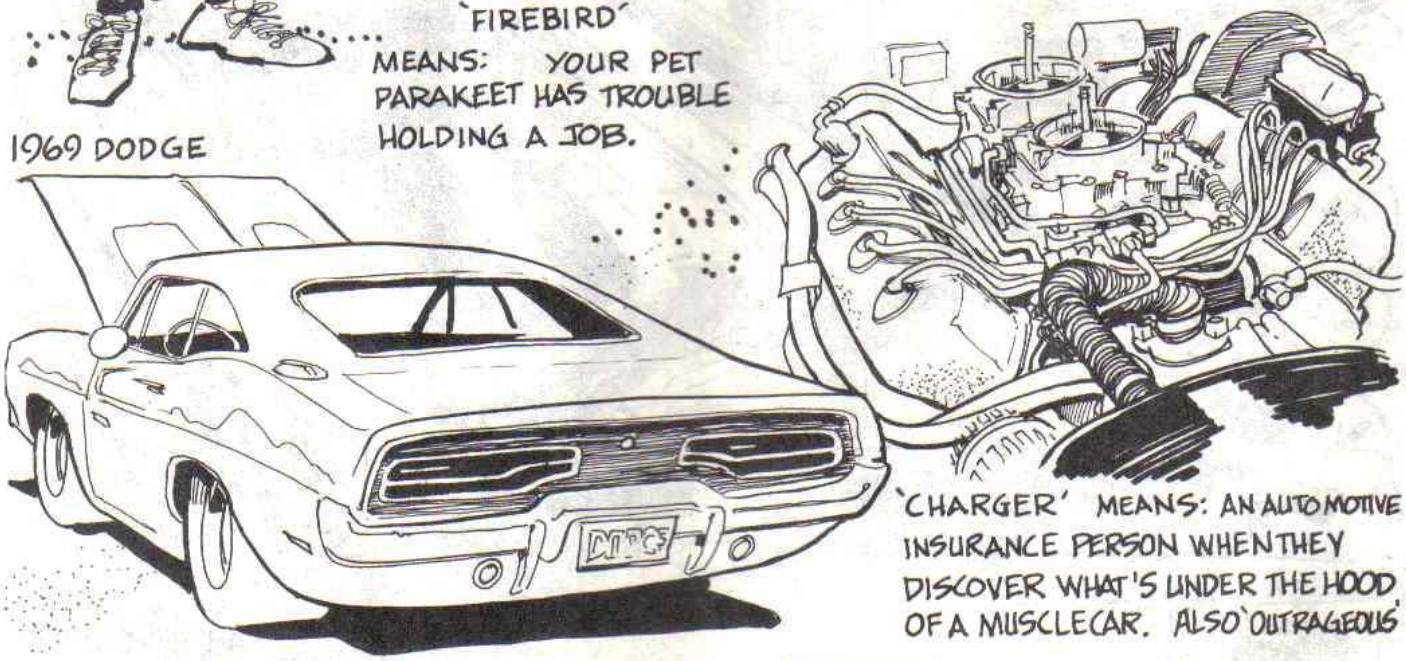


'MUSCLE' MEANS: WHAT'S UNDER THE HOOD.

1968 PONTIAC

'FIREBIRD' MEANS: YOUR PET PARAKEET HAS TROUBLE HOLDING A JOB.

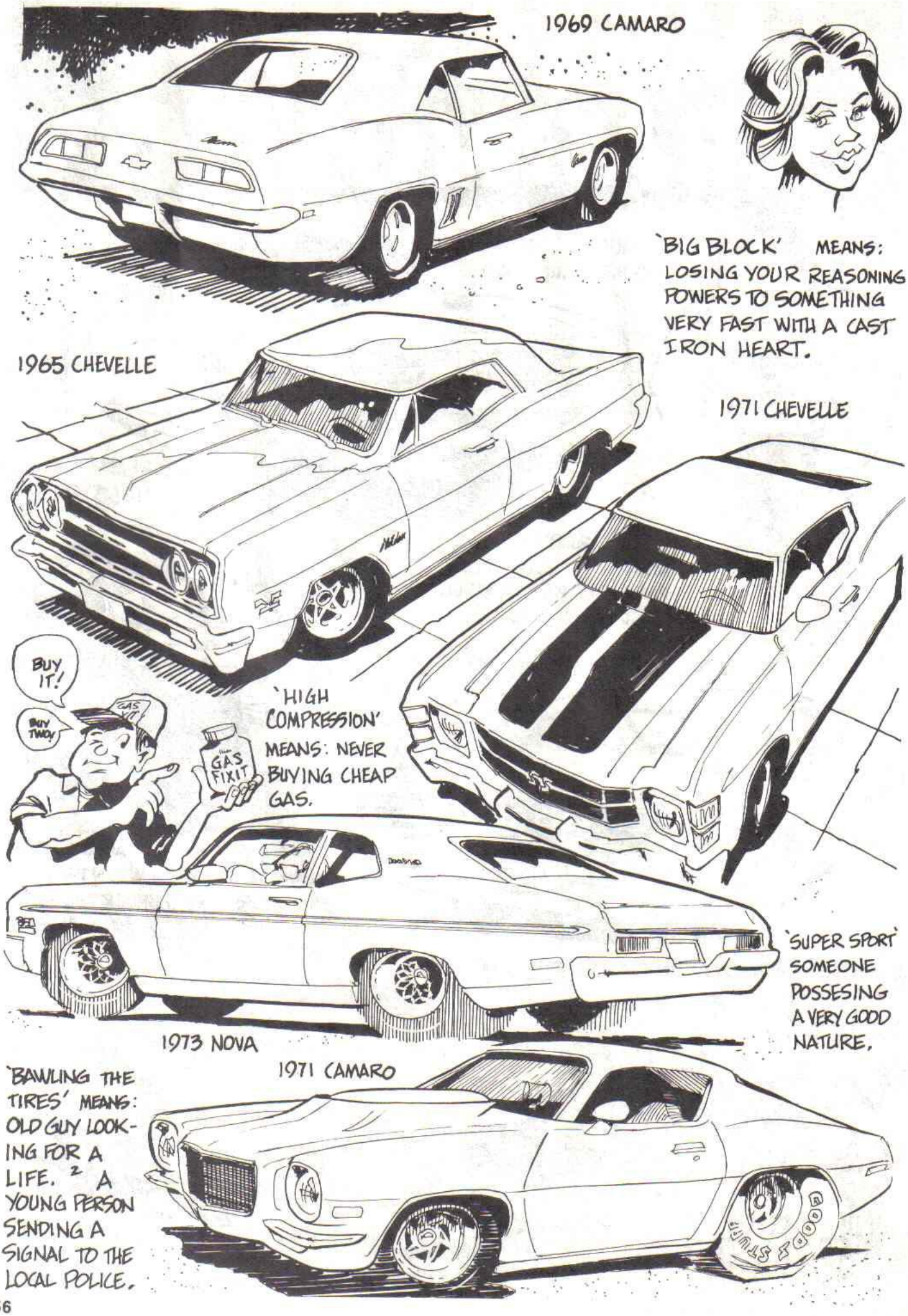
1969 DODGE



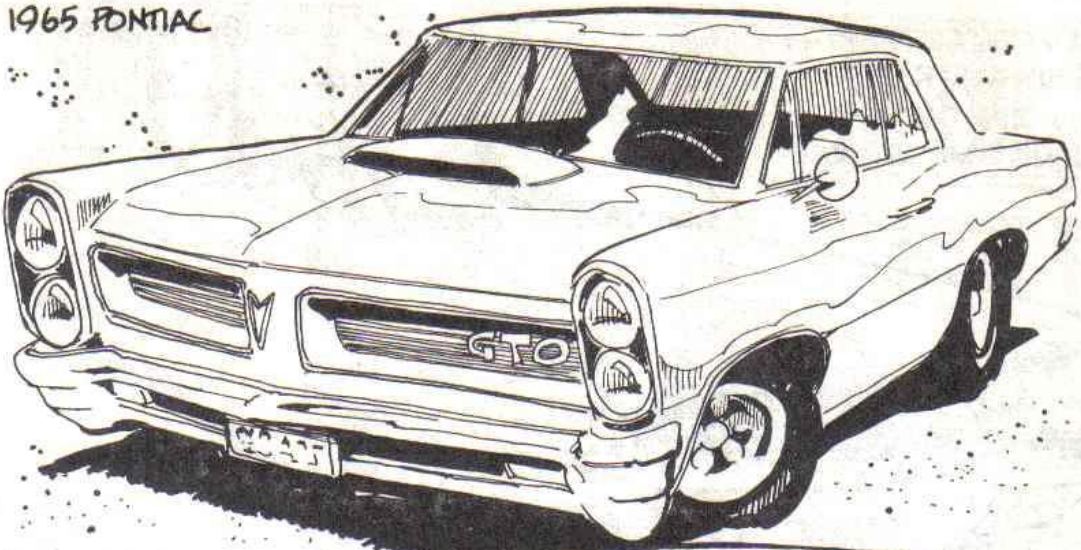
'CHARGER' MEANS: AN AUTOMOTIVE INSURANCE PERSON WHEN THEY DISCOVER WHAT'S UNDER THE HOOD OF A MUSCLECAR. ALSO 'OUTRAGEOUS'

'IN TUNE' MEANS: A CONSTANT SEARCH FOR THE IMPOSSIBLE.

1966 DODGE


1969 CAMARO
'BIG BLOCK' MEANS: LOSING YOUR REASONING POWERS TO SOMETHING VERY FAST WITH A CAST IRON HEART.
1965 CHEVELLE
1971 CHEVELLE
BUY IT!
BUY TWO!
GAS FIXIT
'HIGH COMPRESSION' MEANS: NEVER BUYING CHEAP GAS.
'SUPER SPORT' SOMEONE POSSESING A VERY GOOD NATURE.
1973 NOVA
1971 CAMARO
'BAWLING THE TIRES' MEANS: OLD GUY LOOKING FOR A LIFE. 2 A YOUNG PERSON SENDING A SIGNAL TO THE LOCAL POLICE.

1965 PONTIAC



'MUSCLE CAR MANIA'
MEANS:
A PERSON OF VERY HIGH INTELLIGENCE WITH A DEVELOPED APPRECIATION FOR BRUTE STRENGTH WRAPPED IN A PRETTY PACKAGE.

'GOAT'
MEANS: AN ANIMAL THAT WILL TRY TO EAT UP JUST ABOUT ANYTHING ON THE STREET.

'RACING SLICKS'
MEANS: GUYS THAT WILL ENTICE YOU INTO A RACE WITH A STREET SLEEPER.

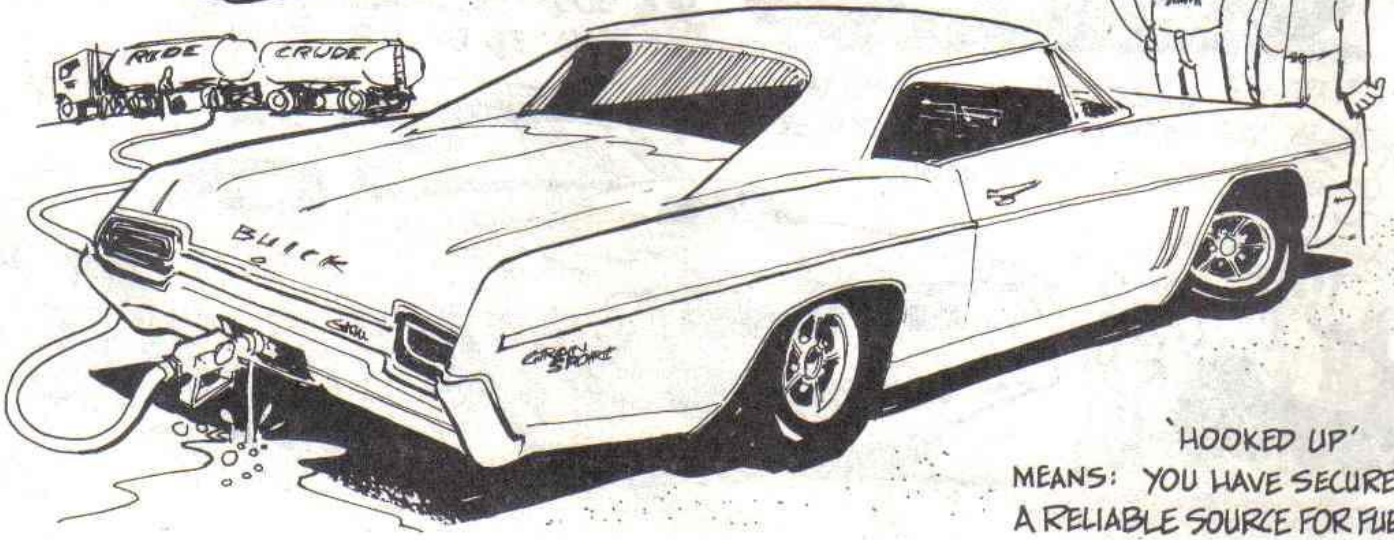
'SLEEPER'
MEANS: A MUSCLE-CAR THAT LOOKS AS THOUGH IT HAS SPENT A CAREER AT THE TAKE OUT WINDOW OF BURGER BUDDIES.

1970 MUSTANG

1963 FAIRLANE

'PONYCAR'
MEANS:
A SMALL CAR THAT HAULS HORSES.

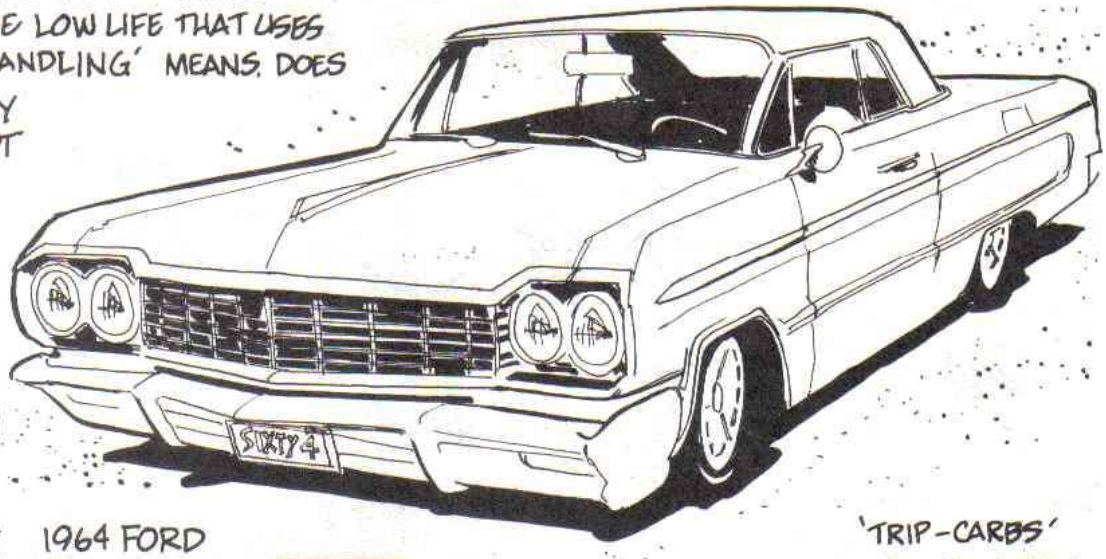
1967 BUICK



'HOOKED UP'
MEANS: YOU HAVE SECURED A RELIABLE SOURCE FOR FUEL.

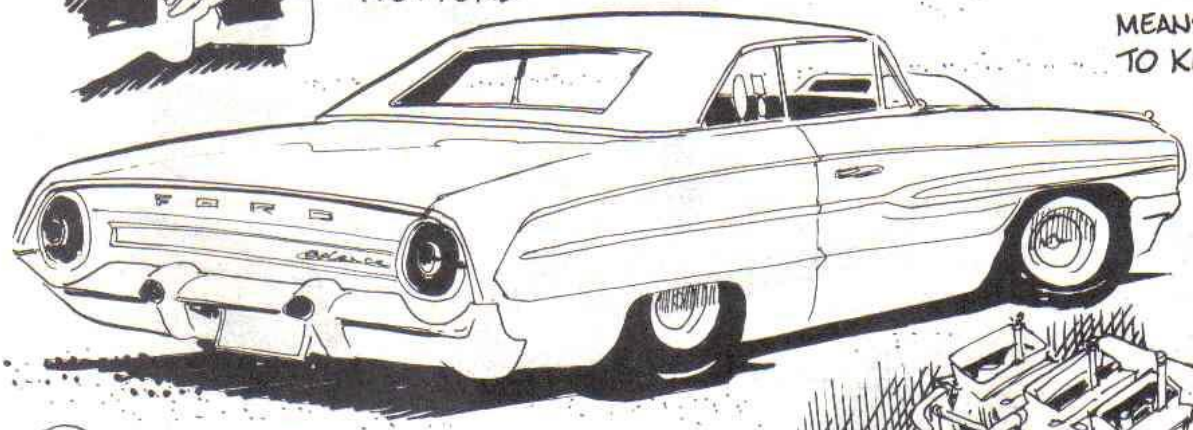
'WHALE BODY, BOAT, SLED, TANK' MEANS: THERE IS ROOM IN THE TRUNK FOR ONE MORE GEO AND THE LOW LIFE THAT USES SUCH TERMS. 'HANDLING' MEANS DOES NOT APPLY TO EARLY MUSCLECARS EXCEPT WHEN PARKED.

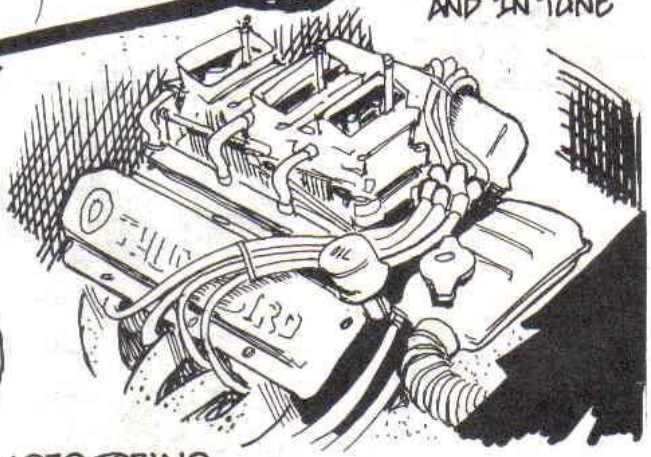
1964 IMPALA

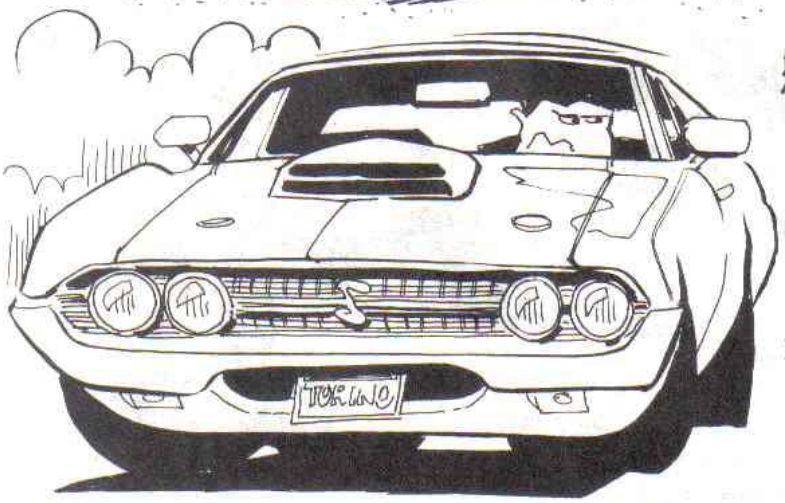


1964 FORD

'TRIP-CARBS' MEANS: JUST TRY TO KEEP IT IN TUNE FOR MORE THAN ONE PASS TO THE JACK IN THE BOX. SEE DUAL QUADS AND 'IN TUNE'







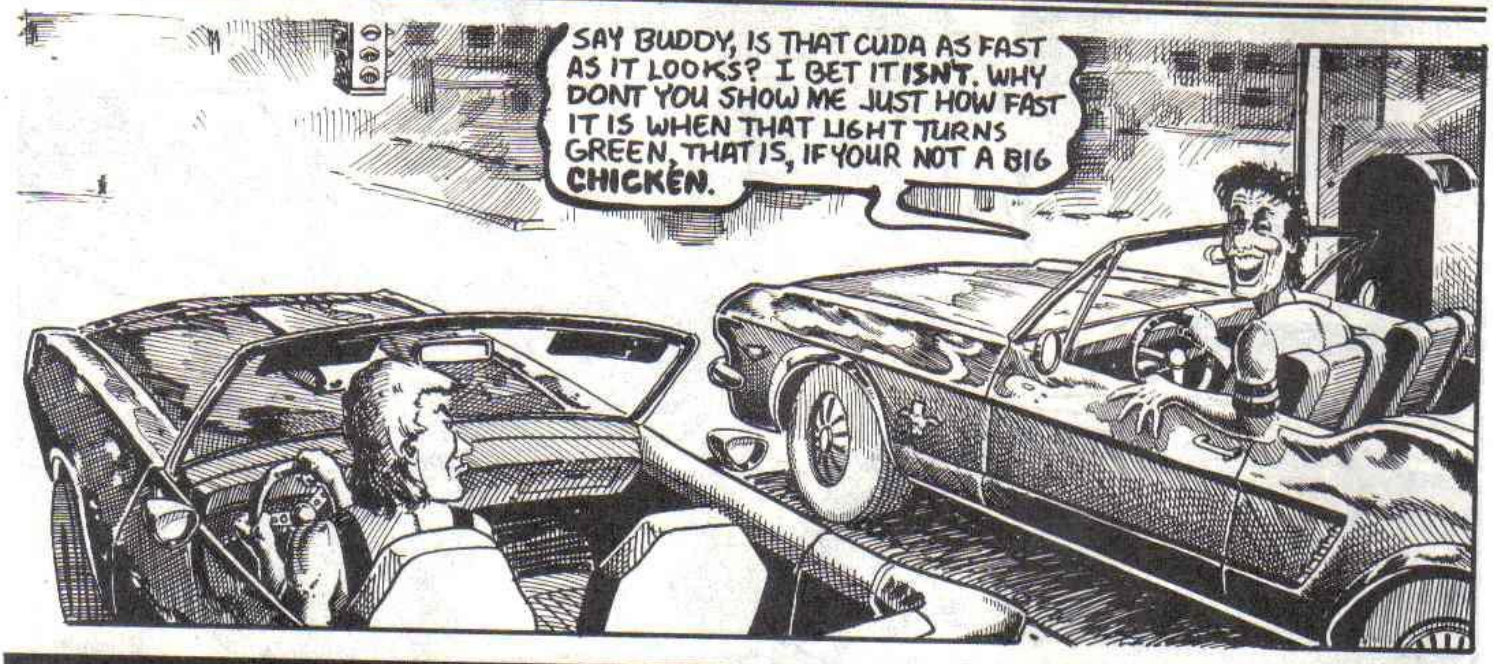
1970 TORINO

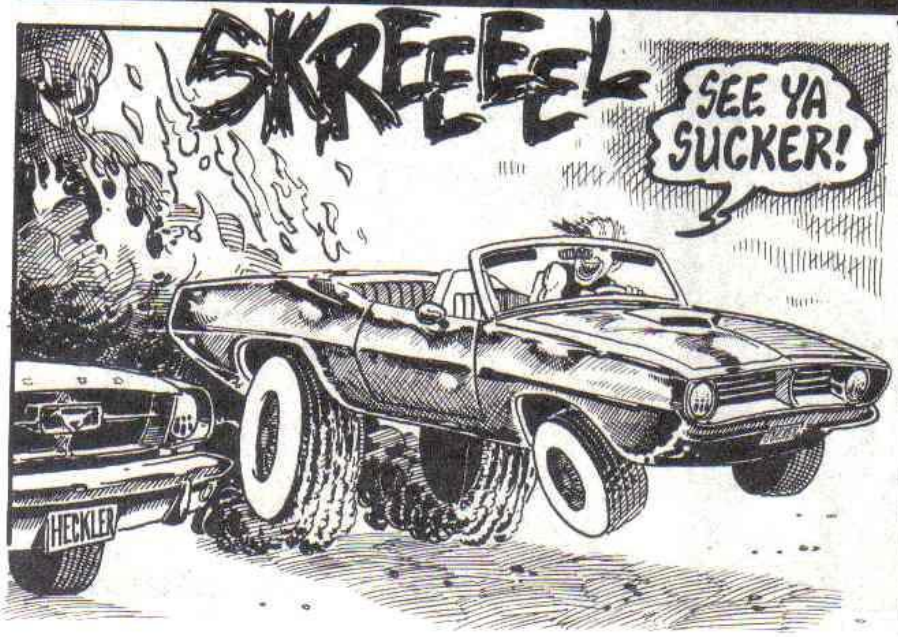
'COBRA JET' MEANS: JUST WHAT IT SOUNDS LIKE, SHIPPING POISONOUS SNAKES BY AIR.

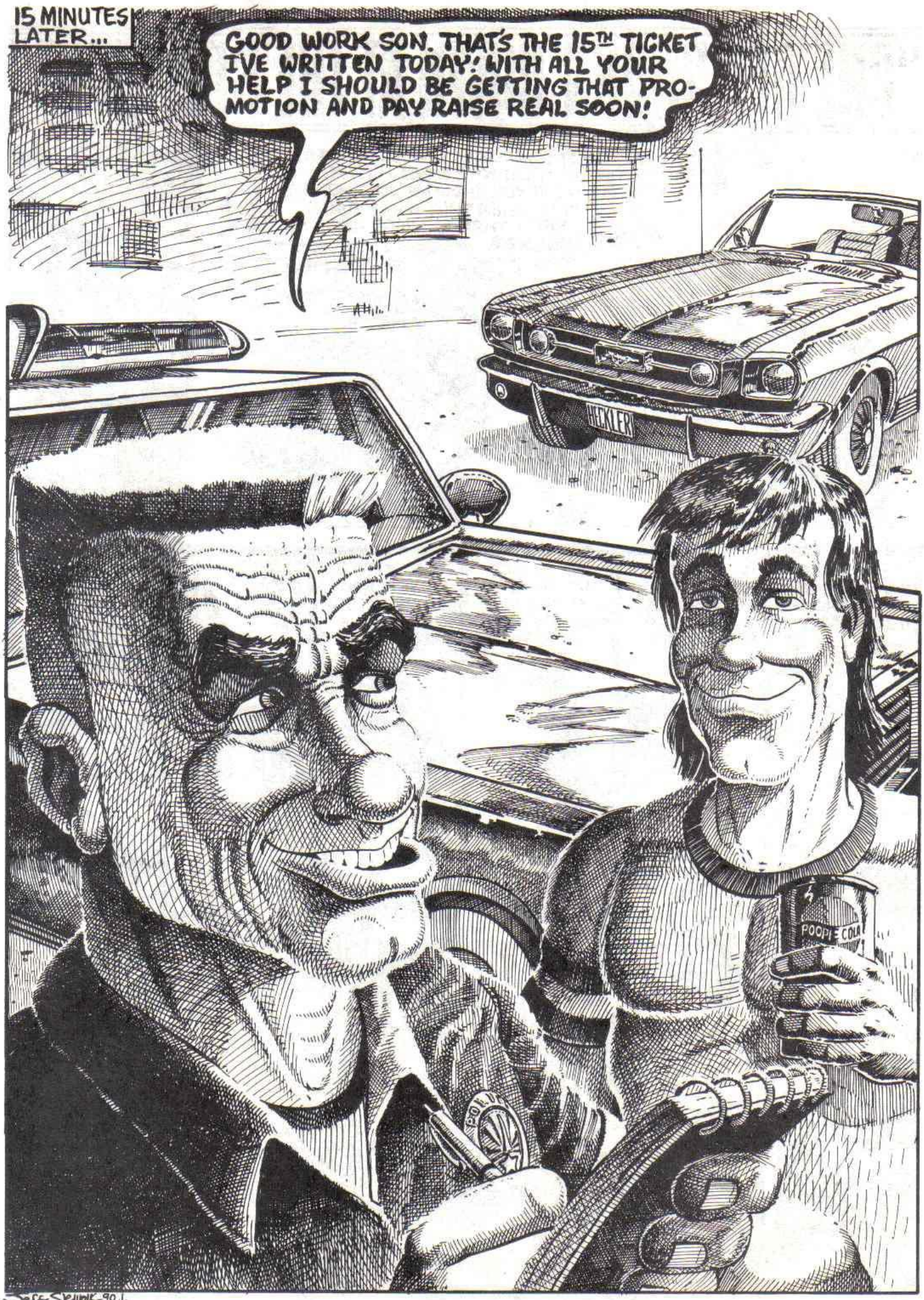
'BINDERS' MEANS: TO BE FOREVER ON THE ALERT FOR SOMETHING SOFT TO RUN INTO.

1970 PLYMOUTH

"ONE AFTERNOON DOWN AT THE STOPLIGHT"






15 MINUTES LATER...
GOOD WORK SON. THAT'S THE 15TH TICKET I'VE WRITTEN TODAY! WITH ALL YOUR HELP I SHOULD BE GETTING THAT PROMOTION AND PAY RAISE REAL SOON!
HECKLER
POOPIE COLA

TORQUE
© 1991 TOM FOX MARINICA
SUM CITY AT NIGHT, LIKE MANY LARGE CITIES CAN BE A CONCRETE JUNGLE. AND LIKE ANY JUNGLE, DESPARATE PREDATORS SEEK OUT THEIR PREY FROM SHADOWS OF THE NIGHT...
PSSST!
CLICK CLICK CLICK CLICK
AND IN THAT NIGHT, A YOUNG LADY MAKES HER WAY TOWARD HER CAR!

HEY, GOT A LIGHT BABE?
OH! UH... NO, S-SORRY...

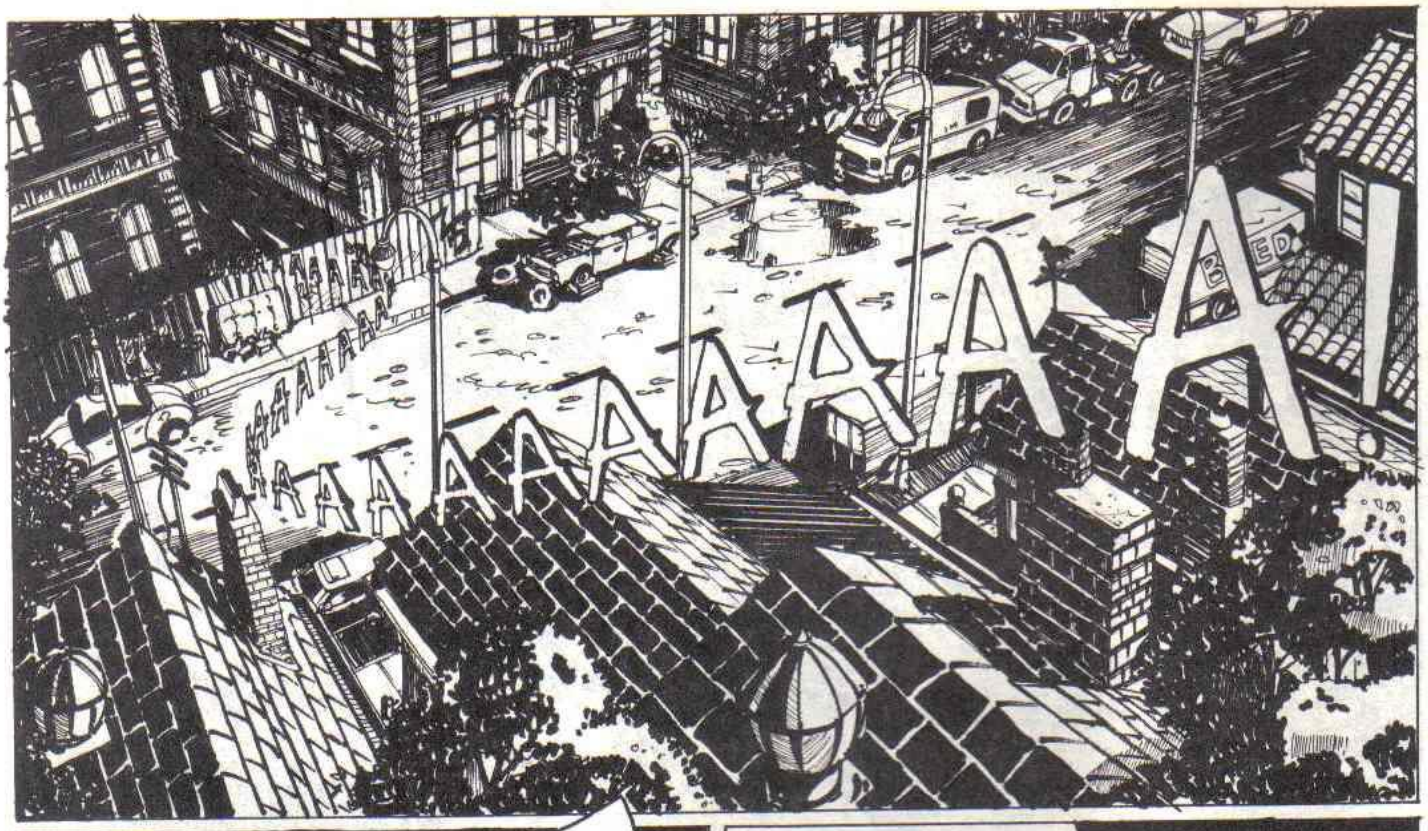
AWW... C'MON HON DON'T BE SO MODEST, I BET YOU GOT SOME FIRE ON YOU...
HEY LOOK... Y'KNOW -- I'VE HAD A LONG, HARD DAY AND I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR...

HUH?! OH!!!
LISTEN TOOTS, JUST SHUT UP... 'CAUSE WE PLAN ON BORROWIN' YER WHEELS FOR A WHILE!
NO!

L-LOOK... JUST, JUST TAKE MY M-MONEY! I DON'T WANT ANY TROUBLE!
AWW DON'T WORRY... S'NO TROUBLE, HEY, HERE'S YER 'LIL OL' CAR KEYS!
NO EXIT
O-K, LET'S SEE... I GOT TO FIND A PARTS STORE WITH A CHARGE ACCOUNT AND THEN...
HEY WHAT THE HECK IS GOING ON THERE?

YOUNG JAMES MANLEY LISTENS...
AND WHIPSERS...
ONE WORD...
HOTMOTO!
KOW

PARDON ME, BOYS...
WHAT TH' HE...
HUNGH?
...I'M CONDUCTING A SURVEY TO FIND OUT THE REACTIONS OF LOWLIFE, CRIMINAL SCUM WHEN THEY HAVE THIER ELBOW AND KNEE JOINTS SQUEEZED INTO DUST...
LET'S TRY IT NOW, SHALL WE?!!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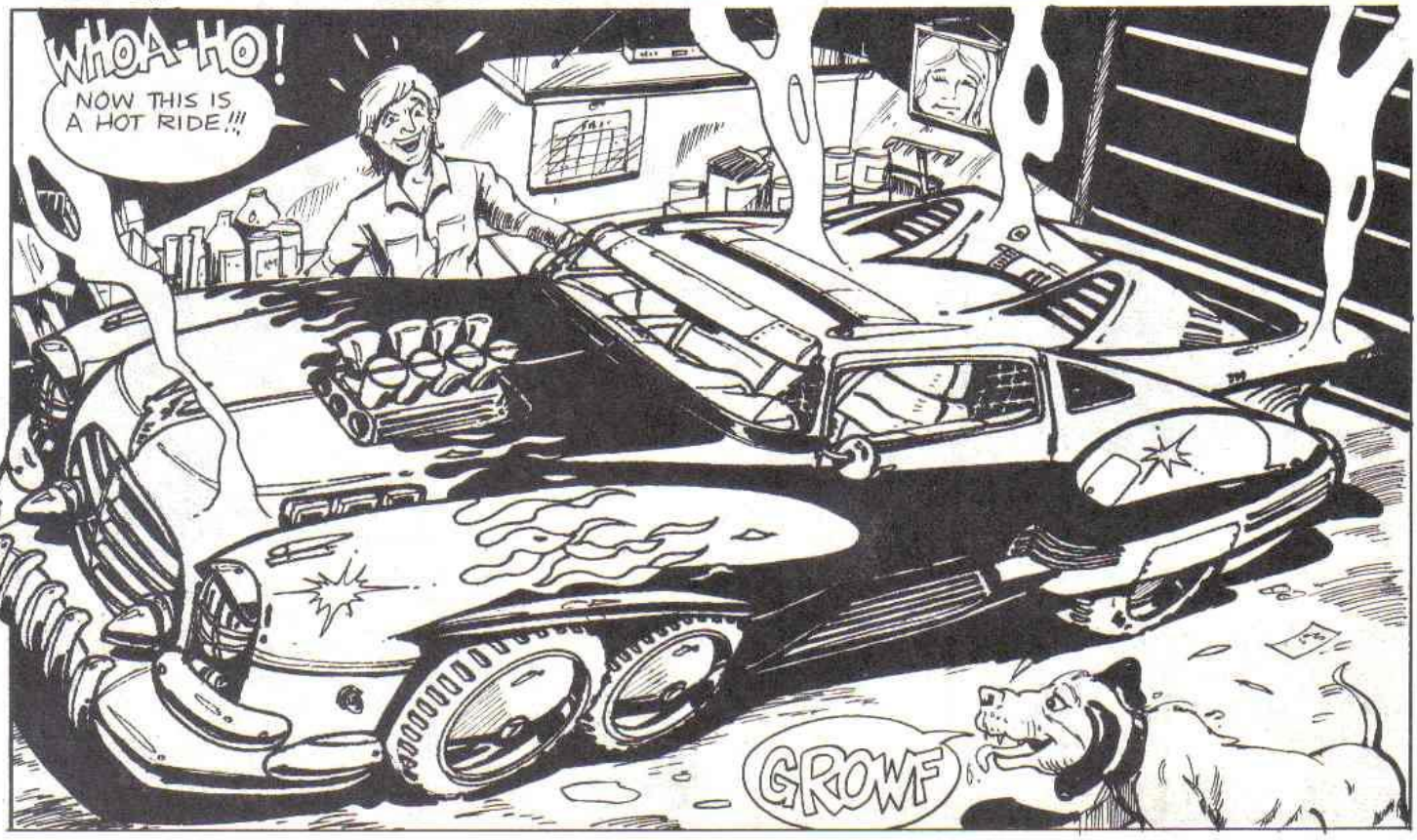
OH MAN! I FORGOT... MY WILLIS IS STILL DOWN! NOW WHAT AM I GONNA...
HEY! WAITAMINUTE! IF I CAN TRANSFORM THINGS TO MY ADVANTAGE, WHY NOT... HMM...

HUNG!

SPANG!!


WHOA-HO!
NOW THIS IS A HOT RIDE!!!
GROWF

LATER THAT DAY, WE FIND COMMISSIONER BORTZOIL IN THE TOWN CENTER AS HE ADDRESSES A CROWD OF SPECULATIVE SUM CITY CITIZENS...
...AND NOW TO ADDRESS CRIME...
VOTE FOR BORTZOIL
JUSTICE SHOULD ALWAYS BE A MATTER FOR THE COURTS! WE CANNOT ALLOW FOR VIGILANTES TO BECOME...
BRUMM!
WELL, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN! IT SEEMS THAT OUR RESIDENT VIGILANTE HAS DECIDED TO SHOW ITS...FACE IN DAYLIGHT! WHAT A... STRANGE VEHICLE!
GENTLEMEN, DO ARREST THAT... UH PERSON FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT!
HEY! LOOK AT THAT!
WOW!
COOL!
HOLY COW!
NEATO
CHECK IT OUT! IT'S HIM! ITS TORQUE! PROPER!!!
HIYA FOLKS! I AM THE GUY--I AM TORQUE!
WOW!
HEY
BORTZOIL SO HOME!
COOL
I KNOW YOU ALL HAVE BEEN WONDERING ABOUT MY... UH PURPOSE AND MOTIVATIONS. SO... I JUST CAME OUT HERE TODAY TO CLEAR UP A FEW THINGS...
THERE'S BEEN A LOT WRITTEN ABOUT ME IN THE TRIB, THE NATIONAL MIDNIGHT STAR AND CAR CRAFT LATELY AND... WELL FRANKLY IT'S MOSTLY HOOEY!
COMMISSIONER BORTZOIL, YOU CAN ARREST ME IF YOU NEED TO... I WON'T RESIST. BUT I--I'D LIKE YOU AND THE REST OF THESE GOOD PEOPLE TO HEAR ME OUT! AFTER THAT THE DECISION IS YOURS! I DESERVE THAT MUCH!

I'M AFRAID I CAN'T EXPLAIN OR REVEAL TOO MUCH ABOUT MYSELF RIGHT NOW -- BUT I JUST WANT EVERYONE TO UNDERSTAND THAT I AM NOT JUST SOME SUPER-POWERED MANIAC! I WAS RAISED BY GOOD PEOPLE WHO TAUGHT ME THE VALUE OF GOOD AND EVIL. I BELIEVE IN MY COUNTRY AND I BELIEVE IN YOU GOOD PEOPLE OF SUM CITY! MY MISSION HERE IS SIMPLE... I PLAN TO WORK FOR JUSTICE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF INEXPENSIVE AUTO PARTS! I PLAN TO CLEAN UP THESE STREETS FROM THE CRIMINAL SCUM THAT HAS BEEN POLLUTING THEM!
AS I'VE SAID, I CAN'T SAY TOO MUCH ABOUT WHO I AM OR WHERE I COME FROM... BUT, I HAVE BEEN GIVEN GREAT POWERS. POWERS GREATER THAN ANY MECHANIC!
YOU ARE.. TORQUE!
BESIDES MY SPEED, STRENGTH AND THIS ALMOST INVINCIBLE BODY, I HAVE THE ABILITY TO FIX ANY MACHINE OR VEHICLE... EVEN METRIC! ALSO I AM LUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE AN... ASSISTANT IN MY WORK. A PISTON HEADED HOT-ROD ROBOT NAMED SAM! NOW IF YOU FOLKS THINK I SHOULD STOP MY MISSION AND LET THE LOCAL POLICE HANDLE THINGS, JUST SAY THE WORD AND I'LL STOP...
SO WHAT'LL IT BE SUM CITIZENS, SHOULD I STAY OR SHOULD I BURN RUBBER OUT OF HERE? IT'S ALL UP TO YOU...
Grr...
GO TORQUE! YEAH ALRIGHT! YOUR OUR GUY!!! YEAH YES! HOORAY! GO, GIT 'EM TORQUE!
WELL SON, IF THE PEOPLE OF SUM CITY ARE BEHIND YOU, THATS ENOUGH FOR ME. CONSIDER YOURSELF DEPUTIZED TORQUE! DON'T MAKE ME REGRET THIS!
THANK YOU SIR... I WON'T LET YOU DOWN! PROMISE!
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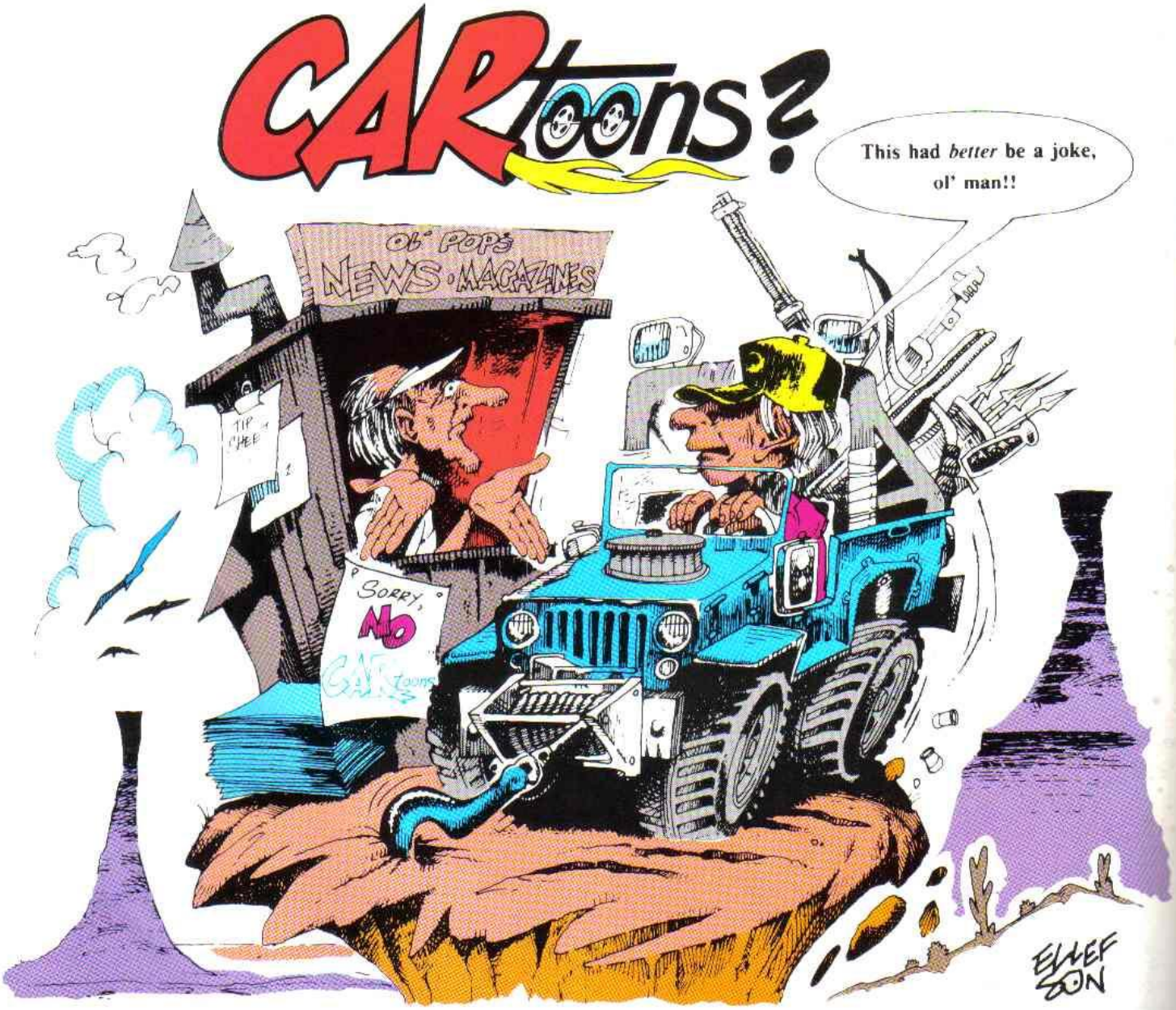

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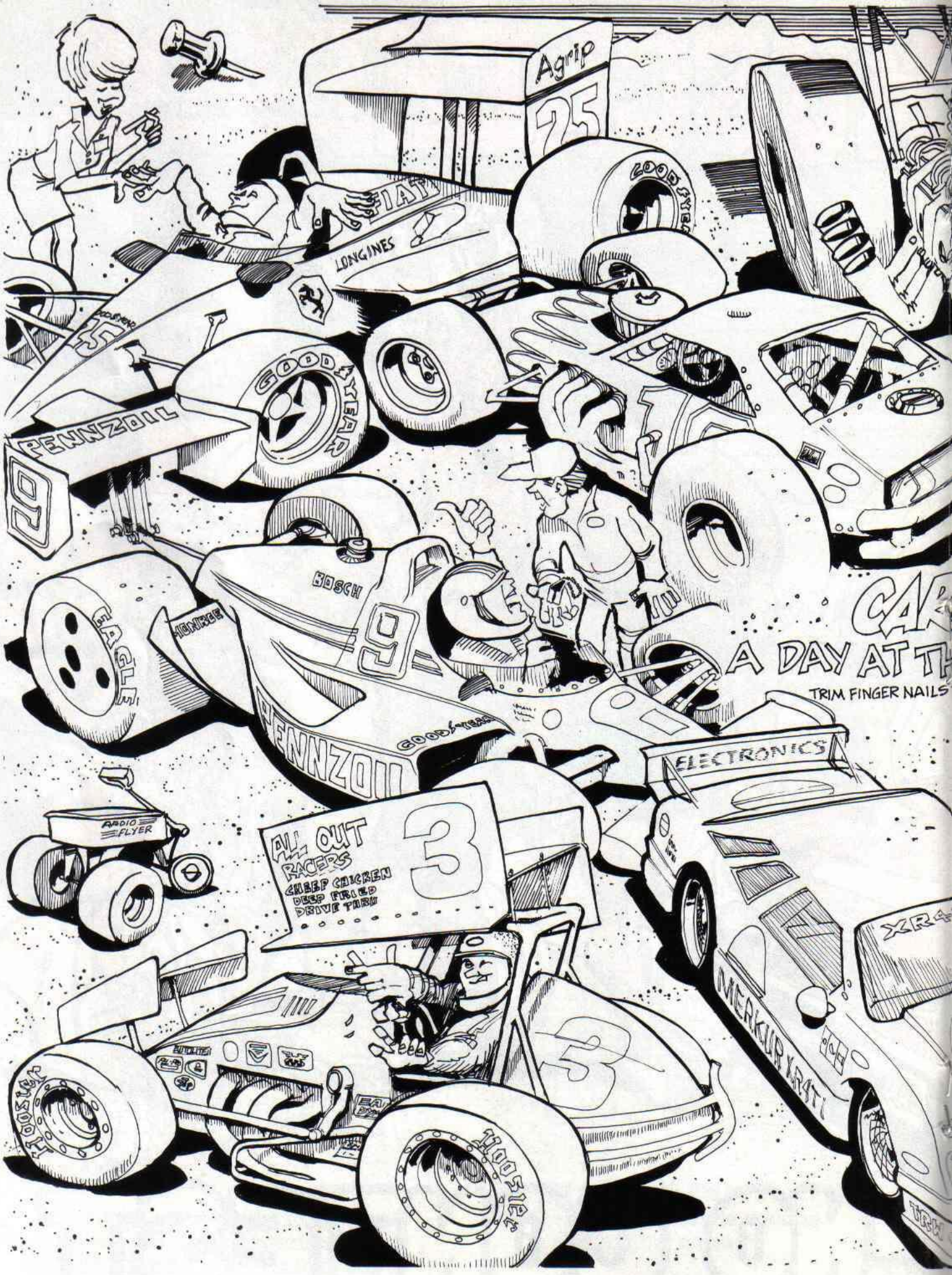
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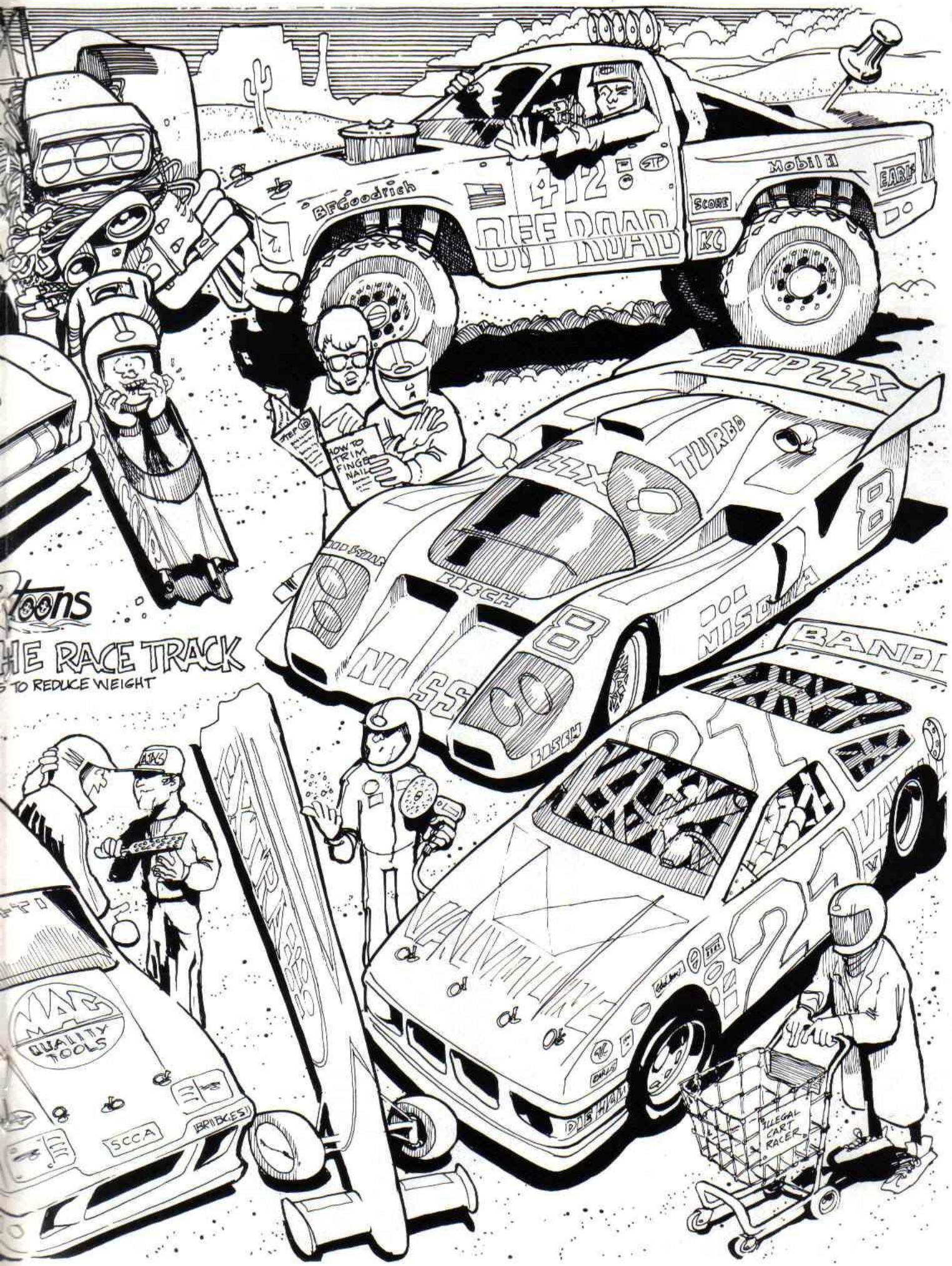
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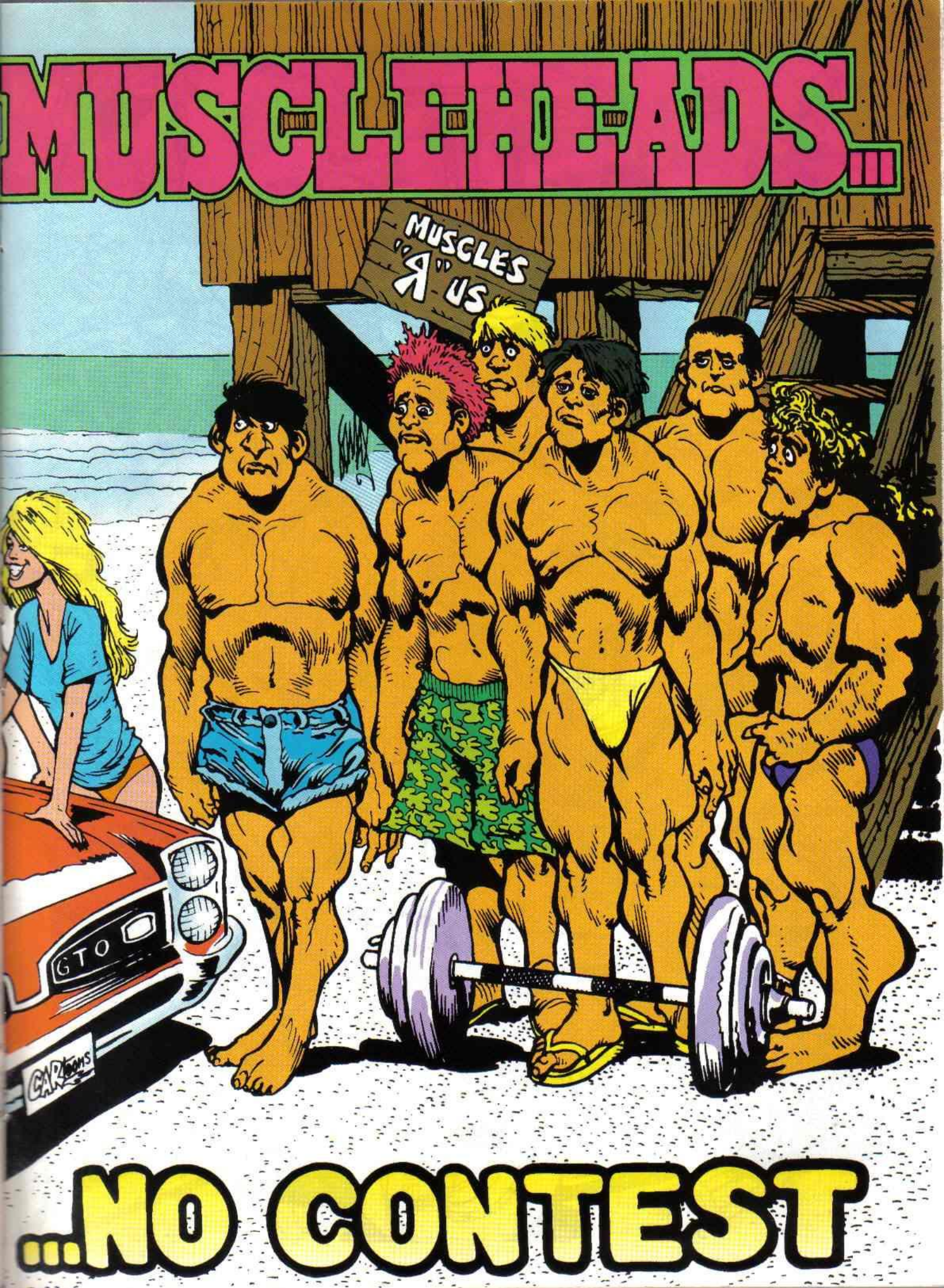
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